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TITLE OF INVENTION <b>METHOD FOR DETERMINING A GRAPHIC STRUCTURE OF A TECHNICAL SYSTEM AND ARRANGEMENT AND SET OF ARRANGEMENTS FOR DETERMINING A GRAPHIC STRUCTURE</b>		
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PRELIMINARY AMENDMENT A  
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INVENTION: METHOD FOR DETERMINING A GRAPHIC  
STRUCTURE OF A TECHNICAL SYSTEM AND  
ARRANGEMENT AND SET OF ARRANGEMENTS  
FOR DETERMINING A GRAPHIC STRUCTURE

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15 Sir:  
Applicants herewith amend the above-referenced PCT application, and  
request entry of the Amendment prior to examination on the United States  
Examination Phase.

20 **IN THE SPECIFICATION**  
Please cancel the code listings on pages 15-32—they are replicated in their  
entirety in the Appendix of the Substitute Specification.

25 **IN THE CLAIMS:**  
**On substitute page 33:**  
replace line 1 with --WHAT IS CLAIMED IS:--;  
Please replace original claims 1-14 with the following rewritten claims 1-14,  
referring to the mark-ups in Appendix A.  
1. (Amended) A method for determining a graphic structure of a technical  
system, comprising the steps of:

5                   a) selecting a graphic structure file from a set of a plurality of different graphic structure files, each graphic structure file containing indications of which elements can be selected to represent it in order to describe the structure of the technical system graphically;

5                   b) selecting said elements in said graphic structure file in such a way that said technical system is described using said selected elements, and

5                   c) representing said elements by an editor program into which said selected graph structure file has been integrated, which determines said graphic structure of said technical system.

10                   2. (Amended) The method as claimed in claim 1, wherein said technical system is an electronic circuit.

15                   3. (Amended) The method as claimed in claim 2, wherein said technical system is a piece of technical equipment.

20                   4. (Amended) The method as claimed in claim 1, wherein said elements are graphic elements of a graphic which describe said technical system.

25                   5. (Amended) The method as claimed in claim 1, further comprising the step of checking said graphic structure of said technical system for predefined structure rules.

30                   6. (Amended) An arrangement for determining a graphic structure of a technical system, comprising:

30                   a) a memory in which a set of a plurality of different graphic structure files are stored, each said graphic structure file comprising indications of which elements can be selected to represent it in order to form a graphic;

30                   b) a selector unit with which a graphic structure file can be selected from

- c) a processor configured to execute an editor program, said editor program being used to determine a graphic with elements of said selected graphic structure file via which a graphic structure is determined; and
- d) a representation component which is coupled to said editor program and with which a specific graph structure can be represented.

7. (Amended) The arrangement as claimed in claim 6, wherein a structure of a technical system is described using the graph.

8. (Amended) The arrangement as claimed in claim 7, wherein said technical system is an electronic circuit.

15 9. (Amended) The arrangement as claimed in claim 7, wherein said technical system is a piece of technical equipment.

10. (Amended) The arrangement as claimed in claim 6, further comprising:

- a) a first subarrangement which comprises said memory; and
- b) a second subarrangement which is coupled to said first subarrangement and comprises:
  - said selector unit;
  - said editor program; and
  - said representation component.

25 11. (Amended) The arrangement as claimed in claim 10, wherein said first  
subarrangement and said second subarrangement are coupled to one another via a  
communications network

12. (Amended) The arrangements as claimed in claim 10, wherein said structure of a technical system is described using a graphic.

13. (Amended) The arrangement as claimed in claim 12, wherein said 5 technical system is an electronic circuit.

14. (Amended) The arrangement as claimed in claim 12, wherein said technical system is a piece of technical equipment.

10 **REMARKS**

The present Amendment revises the specification and claims to conform to United States patent practice, before examination of the present PCT application in the United States National Examination Phase. Pursuant to 37 CFR 1.125 (b), applicants have concurrently submitted a substitute specification, excluding the 15 claims, and provided a marked-up copy. All of the changes are editorial and applicant believes no new matter is added thereby. The amendment, addition, and/or cancellation of claims is not intended to be a surrender of any of the subject matter of those claims.

Early examination on the merits is respectfully requested.

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Appendix A  
Mark Ups for Claim Amendments

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DETERMINING A GRAPHIC STRUCTURE\ORIGINAL CLAIMS.DOC  
and revised document: Q:\DOCUMENTS\YEAR 2001\P010041-THURNER-  
DETERMINING A GRAPHIC STRUCTURE\AMENDED CLAIMS.DOC

10 CompareRite found 87 change(s) in the text

Deletions appear as Overstrike text surrounded by []

Additions appear as Bold-Underline text

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1. **(Amended)** A method for determining a graphic structure of a technical system, **comprising the steps of:**

- a) **selecting a graphic** [a] **in which a graph** structure file **[is selected]** from a set of a plurality of different **[graph]** **graphic** structure files, [a **graph**] **each graphic** structure file containing **[in each case]** indications of which elements can be selected to represent it in order to describe the structure of the technical system graphically[.];
- b) **[in which]** **selecting said** elements **[are selected]** **in said graphic structure file** in such a way that **[the]** **said** technical system is described using **[the]** **said** selected elements, and
- c) **[in which the]** **representing said** elements **[are represented]** by an editor program into which **[the]** **said** selected graph structure file has been integrated, **[by]** which **[means the]** **determines said** graphic structure of **[the]** **said** technical system **[is determined.]**

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2. **(Amended)** The method as claimed in claim 1, **[in which the]** **wherein** **said** technical system is an electronic circuit.

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3. **(Amended)** The method as claimed in claim 2, **[in which the]** **wherein** **said** technical system is a piece of technical equipment.

4. **(Amended)** The method as claimed in [one of claims 1 to 3, in which the] **claim 1, wherein said** elements are [graph] **graphic** elements of a [graph] **graphic** which describe [the] **said** technical system.

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5. **(Amended)** The method as claimed in [one of claims 1 to 4, in which the] **claim 1, further comprising the step of checking said** graphic structure of [the] **said** technical system [which is determined is checked] for predefined structure rules.

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6. **(Amended)** An arrangement for determining a [graph] **graphic** structure of a technical system, **comprising:**

- a) [having] a memory in which a set of a plurality of different [graph] **graphic** structure files are stored, [a graph] **each said graphic** structure file [containing in each case] **comprising** indications of which elements can be selected to represent it in order to form a [graph] **graphic**;
- b) [having] a selector unit with which a [graph] **graphic** structure file can be selected from [the] **said** set of graph structure files[.];
- c) [having] a processor [which is] configured [in such a way that] **to execute** an editor program [can be executed, with which], **said** editor program [a graph structure file selected from the set of graph structure files can be] **being** used to determine a [graph] **graphic** with elements of [the] **said** selected [graph] **graphic** structure file[. by] **via** which [means the graph] **a graphic** structure is determined; **and**[-]
- d) [having] a representation component which is coupled to [the] **said** editor program and with which [the] **a** specific graph structure can be represented.

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7. **(Amended)** The arrangement as claimed in claim 6, [in which] **wherein** a

structure of a technical system is described using the graph.

8. **(Amended)** The arrangement as claimed in claim 7, [in which the]  
wherein said technical system is an electronic circuit.

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9. **(Amended)** The arrangement as claimed in claim 7, [in which the]  
wherein said technical system is a piece of technical equipment.

10. **(Amended)** The arrangement as claimed in claim 6, further comprising:

- 10 a) [a] having] a first subarrangement which [has the] comprises said memory; and [.]
- b) [having] a second subarrangement which is coupled to [the] said first subarrangement and [has the following components:] comprises:
  - [the] said selector unit[.];
  - [the] said editor program; and [.]
  - [the] said representation component.

15 11. **(Amended)** The arrangement as claimed in claim 10, [in which the]  
wherein said first subarrangement and [the] said second subarrangement are  
20 coupled to one another [by means of] via a communications network.

25 12. **(Amended)** The [set of] arrangements as claimed in claim 10 [or 11, in  
which a], wherein said structure of a technical system is described using [the  
graph.] a graphic.

13. **(Amended)** The arrangement as claimed in claim 12, [in which the]  
wherein said technical system is an electronic circuit.

30 14. **(Amended)** The arrangement as claimed in claim 12, [in which the]  
wherein said technical system is a piece of technical equipment.

## SPECIFICATION

## TITLE

METHOD FOR DETERMINING A GRAPHIC STRUCTURE OF A TECHNICAL  
SYSTEM AND ARRANGEMENT AND SET OF ARRANGEMENTS FOR5 DETERMINING A GRAPHIC STRUCTURE  
BACKGROUND OF THE INVENTION

## Field of the Invention

1 The invention relates to the selection of elements of a graph structure file in order to describe the structure of a technical system graphically.

## 10 Description of the Related Art

2 It is known to describe different technical systems by means of a graphic structure. Such descriptions are known from, for example, product brochures for products provided by Zuben-Redac (e.g., Analysis Products, CAD Products, CAE

15 Products, CAM Products, and Data Conversion Products—formerly available on September 22, 1998 at [http://www.redac.co.uk/prod\\_info/brochures/14a.html](http://www.redac.co.uk/prod_info/brochures/14a.html)) (the Zuben-Redac brochures), herein incorporated by reference, that disclose how, for a technical system such as an electronic circuit, the electrical circuit is determined in the form of a graphic structure with elements which describe an electronic circuit.

20 3 Elements of a graphic structure in the field of a circuit simulation are symbols which symbolize electronic components, for example, a resistor, a capacitor, an inductor, a transistor, an operational amplifier or other electronic components composed of these elements.

25 4 In the method and arrangement known from the Zuben-Redac brochures, elements for graphically describing an electronic circuit which are made available to a user by an editor program are selected in such a way that the "electronic circuit" constituting the technical system is described using the selected elements. The elements are represented by the editor program.

30 5 A graphic structure describes a graphic  $G = (V, E, \Psi)$  which has a finite, non-empty set  $V$  ( $v \in V$  designate nodes of the graphic  $G$ ), and a finite set  $E$  ( $e \in E$

designate edges of the graphic G). The nodes and edges of the graphic are logically combined by an incidence function  $\Psi$  which is formed according to the following rule:

$$\Psi: E \rightarrow \{\{i, j\} \mid i, j \in V\} \quad (1)$$

6        Each edge  $e$  of the set  $E$  of edges is assigned its two end places by the  
5        incidence function  $\Psi(e)$ .

7        Depending on the field of application, different types of nodes and edges may  
be provided in an editor program for describing a technical system. Nodes and  
edges to which an application-dependent semantic is assigned are generally  
designated as elements of the graphic in an editor program. A node element of a  
10        graphic is, for example in the editor program in the ZUKEN-REDAC brochures, a  
symbol which symbolizes an electronic component of the electronic circuit. The  
edges can be used to describe weighted connections between the individual  
elements. Generally, the respective nodes and edges can be assigned a weight, a  
value or any desired text for information (textual information).

15        8        G. Chiola, G. Franceschinis, R. Gaeta and M. Ribaudo, GreatSPN 1.7:  
Graphical Editor and Analyzer for Timed and Stochastic Petri Nets, Performance  
Evaluation, special issue on Performance Modeling Tools, 24 (1&2), pp. 47 - 68,  
November 1995 (Chiola), herein incorporated by reference, discloses an editor  
program for determining a Petri net. A Petri net is preferably used to analyze and  
20        design a closed-loop control system or an open-loop control system of a technical  
system, generally for describing system characteristics of a technical system. A  
graphic, which is illustrated in the form of a Petri net, has a place  $S$  or a transition  $T$   
as elements. A general overview of a Petri net and its basic elements can be found  
in G. Schmidt, Grundlagen der Regelungstechnik: Analyse und Entwurf linearer und  
25        einfacher nichtlinearer Regelungen sowie diskreter Steuerungen [Principles of  
control technology: analysis and design of linear and simple nonlinear closed-loop  
controls and discrete open-loop controls], second edition, Springer-Verlag  
[Publishing House], ISBN 3-540-17112-6, Berlin, pp. 320 - 328, 1991 (Schmidt),  
herein incorporated by reference.

30        9        A Petri net is generally a triplet

$$N := \langle S, T, F \rangle$$

where

- (i)  $S = \{ s_1, s_2, \dots, s_n \}$  Set of places
- (ii)  $T = \{ t_1, t_2, \dots, t_m \}$  Set of transitions
- (iii)  $S \cap T = \emptyset$   $S$  and  $T$  disjunctive  
(the node set is composed of  $S$  and  $T$ )
- 5 (iv)  $F \subseteq (S \times T) \cup (T \times S)$  Flow relation

10 10 A particular disadvantage with the known methods and arrangements is the

fact that in each case elements of a graphic which are provided only for a specific application are made available as a function of the application in order to determine the graphic structure of a technical system. Thus, with the editor program from the Zuken-Redac brochures, only a selection of the elements can be made to describe an electronic circuit, and in the case of the editor program from Chiola, only a

15 selection of elements can be made to describe a Petri net.

11 Such a known editor program is thus extremely inflexible in a situation in which a user wishes to use different types of a graphic structure to describe a technical system. In this type of program, it is necessary to develop for each specific application a separate editor program which is adapted to the application, something

20 which entails considerable development costs.

#### SUMMARY OF THE INVENTION

12 The invention is therefore based on providing a method for determining a graphic structure of a technical system, and an arrangement and a set of a plurality of arrangements for determining a graphic structure which has improved flexibility in comparison with the known methods and arrangements.

13 The problem is solved by a method for determining a graphic structure of a technical system (which may be an electronic circuit or a piece of technical equipment) has the following steps:

30 14 a) a graphic structure file is selected from a set of a plurality of different graphic structure files, a graphic structure file containing, in each case, indications of

which elements can be selected to represent the graphic structure file in order to describe the structure of the technical system graphically,

15 b) elements are selected in such a way that a technical system is described using the selected elements, and

5 16 c) the elements are represented by an editor program into which the selected graphic structure file has been integrated, via which the graphic structure of the technical system is determined.

17 The problem is also solved by an arrangement for determining a graphic structure has the following features:

10 18 a) a memory in which a set of a plurality of different graphic structure files are stored, a graphic structure file containing, in each case, indications of which elements can be selected to represent it in order to form a graphic,

19 b) a selector unit with which a graphic structure file can be selected from the set of graphic structure files,

15 20 c) a processor configured to execute an editor program, with which editor program a graphic structure file selected from the set of graphic structure files can be used to determine a graphic with elements of the selected graphic structure file, by which means the graphic structure is determined, and

21 d) a representation component which is coupled to the editor program and with which the specific graphic structure can be represented.

22 In the inventive method, the elements may be graphic elements of a graphic which describes the technical system. Also, a further step of checking the graphic structure of the technical system for predefined structure rules may be provided as well.

25 23 A set of a plurality of arrangements for determining a graphic structure has:

24 a) a first arrangement which has a memory in which a set of a plurality of different graphic structure files are stored, a graphic structure file containing in each case indications of which elements can be selected to represent it in order to form a graphic, and

30 25 b) a second arrangement which is coupled to the first arrangement and has the following components:

26 - a selector unit with which a graphic structure file can be selected from the set of graphic structure files,

27 - an editor program with which a graphic structure file selected from the set of graphic structure files can be used to determine a graphic with elements, of

5 the selected graphic structure file, via which the graphic structure is determined, and

28 - a representation component which is coupled to the editor program and with which the specific graphic structure can be represented.

29 The invention discloses a method which is very flexible in comparison with the known methods and arrangements, and a very flexible arrangement for determining

10 a graphic structure which can be adapted to new application scenarios in a quick and easy way and can be adapted more satisfactorily to existing application scenarios.

30 In this way, different types of structures which can be represented as a graphic can be processed flexibly, cost-effectively, and easily with the inventive

15 method or arrangement.

31 These inventive aspects are described in more detail below.

32 The technical system is preferably an electronic circuit or a piece of technical equipment. The elements are preferably graphic elements of a graphic which describe the technical system.

20 33 In a further refinement there is provision for the graphic structure of the technical system which is determined to be checked for predefined structure rules. In this way, it is possible to check a structure of the technical system determined by a user for predefined structure rules, which ensures that the structure rules for the respective technical system are complied within terms of its graphic structure.

25 34 An exemplary structure rule could be, for example, in a Petri net, the fact that a place must always follow a transition, and vice versa. If this is not the case, within the scope of this development, the disclosure is made during checking of the graphic structure of a Petri net that the corresponding structure rule is infringed.

## BRIEF DESCRIPTION OF THE DRAWINGS

35 An exemplary embodiment of the invention is illustrated in the figures and explained in more detail below.

5 36 Figure 1 is a schematic diagram showing an arrangement according to a first exemplary embodiment;

37 Figure 2 is a pictorial diagram of a representation component with a graphic structure with elements of a Petri net;

10 38 Figure 3 is a pictorial diagram of a representation component with a graphic structure with elements which describe an electronic circuit;

15 39 Figure 4 is a flowchart in which the method steps of the method according to an exemplary embodiment are represented; and

40 Figure 5 is a block diagram of a set of a plurality of arrangements which, according to a second exemplary embodiment, are coupled to one another via a communications network.

## DESCRIPTION OF THE PREFERRED EMBODIMENTS

41 Fig. 1 shows an arrangement 100 with a set 101 of a plurality of different graphic structure files 102, 103, 104, 105. Each graphic structure file 102, 103, 104, 105 is embodied as a file which can be linked dynamically (dynamic link library).

20 42 A user 106 selects a graphic structure file 102, 103, 104, 105 using a selection component 108 (keyboard and/or computer mouse) which is connected to an editor program 107.

43 The selected graphic structure file, in this exemplary embodiment a first graphic structure file 103, is dynamically integrated into the editor program 107.

25 44 After integration into the editor program 107, a set 111 of selectable elements 112, 113, 114, which are defined in the first graphic structure file 103 as selectable elements for determining a further described graphic is displayed to the user 106 on a screen 110 via a representation component 109 which is connected to the editor program 107. In addition, in this exemplary embodiment, according to the first 30 graphic structure file 103, a first check program 115 and a second check program

116 are integrated into the editor program 107 and made available to the user 106 for selection.

45 Each graphic structure file 102, 103, 104, 105 has, in each case, a set of selectable elements for the respective type of graphics, in each case a graphic structure file being provided for one type of graphic. In addition, each graphic structure file 102, 103, 104, 105 may respectively contain a specific check program which is integrated into the respective graphic structure file 102, 103, 104, 105.

5 46 After the first graphic structure file 103 has been integrated, elements of the graphic are selected by the user 106 and connected to one another so that a graphic 10 is determined which is stored in the form of a predefined intermediate language 117 in a memory 118.

10 47 In addition, Fig. 1 symbolically represents that the user 106 stores a plurality of structures 119, 120, 121, 122, 123 for describing different graphics, these 15 structures relating to the type of graphic predefined by the first graphic file 103. The first graphic structure file 103 makes available elements which make possible a graphic in the form of a Petri net 201 (see Fig. 2).

15 48 Fig. 2 shows the representation component 200 which is presented to the user 106 in the form of a screen surface. The screen surface 200 has a menu list 202 with different selectable options ("File", "Edit", "Object", "View", "Tools", 20 "Settings", "Help"). Menu items are made available to the user by means of individual selectable elements using an immediate access bar 203 by making a single, direct selection of an element.

20 49 In addition, a processing bar 204 is represented with selectable options for determining the graphic. Thus, in the first graphic structure file 103, a first selection 25 element 205 is provided with which it is possible to select and process objects represented on the screen. The selection and processing of specific elements for a Petri net 201 is made available to the user 106 via a set 206 of further selector elements which will be explained in more detail below.

50 50 A second selector element 207 is described by an empty rectangle and 30 symbolizes a time-specific transition. A third selector element 208 symbolizes a timeless transition, which is represented as a selected transition element 220, 221

and 222 in the Petri net 201. A fourth selector element 209 symbolizes an edge which is a directed edge in this exemplary embodiment. A fifth selector element 210 symbolizes a forbidden edge which is designated in accordance with the structure rules of a Petri net 201. A sixth selector element 211 symbolizes a place where, in 5 each case, a place element 223, 224, 225, 226 is represented in the Petri net 201. The place elements 223, 224, 225 and 226 are connected to the transition elements 220, 221, 222 via edges 227, 228, 229, 230, 231 and 232. A seventh selector element 212 symbolizes the possibility of combining a plurality of elements of the Petri net to form a composite element. An eighth selector element 213 symbolizes 10 an input of the Petri net 201 and a ninth selector element 214 symbolizes an output of a Petri net 201.

51 The edges and the individual nodes, i.e., the elements of the Petri net 201, are assigned textual information 251, 252, 253, 254, 255, 256, 257, 258, 259, 260 and 261. In this way it is possible to assign an additional textual description to the 15 individual elements.

52 If a second graphic structure file 104 is integrated into the editor program 107, the second graphic structure file 104 making available elements of an electronic circuit, and thus a graphic of an electronic circuit, a screen mask represented in Fig. 3 with a set of selector elements set up for the circuit simulation is produced.

20 53 The same designations are used in Fig. 3 for the same elements displayed on the screen as represented in Fig. 2.

54 A set 301 of selector elements which are specifically for describing a graphic of an electronic circuit contain :

- 25 • a tenth selector element 302 which symbolizes an electronic resistor,
- an eleventh selector element 303 which symbolizes an electronic capacitor,
- a twelfth selector element 304 which symbolizes an inductor,
- a thirteenth selector element 305 symbolizing a transistor,
- a fourteenth selector element 306 symbolizing an operational 30 amplifier,

• a fifteenth selector element 307 symbolizing a non-directed edge,  
and

- a sixteenth selector element 308 symbolizing a power source.

55 An electronic circuit 110 is determined by the user 106 and has, in this exemplary embodiment, a power source 311, electronic resistors 312, 313, electronic capacitors 314 and 315 and an operational amplifier 316 which are each connected to one another via edges 317. In addition, a ground terminal 318 is illustrated in Fig. 3. The individual circuit elements are assigned textual information 319, 320, 321, 322, 323, 324, 325, 326 for further explaining the electronic circuit  
10 310.

56 Fig. 4 shows the inventive method steps. In a first step (step 401) a graphic structure file 102, 103, 104, 105 is selected from a set 101 of graphic structure files 102, 103, 104, 105. In a second step (step 402), a selection is made of elements which are available in accordance with the graphic structure file 102, 103, 104, 105  
15 which was selected in the previous step (step 401). The selected elements are illustrated by the editor program 107 in a further step (step 403).

57 Fig. 5 shows a first computer 500 with a memory 502 and a processor 503 which are each connected to one another via a bus 504 and to an input/output interface 501. The first computer 500 is connected to a screen 505, a keyboard 506, 20 and a computer mouse 507 via the input/output interface 501.

58 In addition, the first computer 500 is connected to further computers 510, 520, 530, 540 and 550 via a communications network 560, in the exemplary embodiment, an ISDN network (Integrated Services Digital Network).

59 The set 101 of graphic structure files 102, 103, 104, 105 is stored in the first 25 computer 500. The further computers 510, 520, 530, 540 and 550 each also have a processor 513, 523, 533, 543 and 553 and each have a memory 512, 522, 532, 542 and 552. In each case the processor 513, 523, 533, 543 and 553 and the memory 512, 522, 532, 542 and 552 are connected to the communications network via, in each case, a bus 514, 524, 534, 544 and 554 via an input/output interface 511, 521, 30 531, 541 and 551. In addition, the further computers 510, 520, 530, 540 and 550 are

each connected to a screen 515, 525, 535, 545 and 555, to a keyboard 516, 526, 536, 546 and 556 and to a computer mouse 517, 527, 537, 547 and 557.

60 An editor program 508, 518, 528, 538, 548, 558 is stored in each computer 500, 510, 520, 530, 540 and 550. A graphic structure file 102, 103, 104, 105 is

5 selected by a user of a further computer 510, 520, 530, 540 and 550, and requested from the first computer 500 with a request message 570. The first computer 500 transmits the selected graphic structure file 102, 103, 104, 105 in a reply message 580 to the further computer 510, 520, 530, 540 and 550 requesting the graphic structure file 102, 103, 104, 105.

10 61 The requesting further computer 510, 520, 530, 540 and 550 has thus received the requested graphic structure file 102, 103, 104, 105, and it integrates it into its editor program 518, 528, 538, 548, 558, as described in the first exemplary embodiment.

15 62 A number of alternatives to the exemplary embodiments described above are illustrated as follows: The type of elements which are made available by a graphic structure file is generally freely selectable and depends only on the respective type of graphic to be determined. The technical system can, for example, also be a piece of technical equipment whose characteristics or structure can be described by the graphic. The editor program and the graphic illustrated with the editor program can 20 be used as part of a simulation of the technical system.

63 Three files are provided in the Appendix which implement the exemplary embodiments written in the C/Java programming language. These files are: 1) an initialization file, 2) a load file, and 3) a toolbar file.

25 64 The above-described method and arrangement are illustrative of the principles of the present invention. Numerous modifications and adaptations will be readily apparent to those skilled in this art without departing from the spirit and scope of the present invention.

## ABSTRACT

65 A graphic structure file is selected from a set of a plurality of different graphic structure files. A graphic structure file contains in each case indications of which

5 elements can be selected to represent it in order to describe the structure of the technical system graphically. Elements are selected in such a way that the selected elements describe the technical system, and the elements are represented by an editor program into which the selected graphic structure file has been integrated.

## APPENDIX CODE LISTINGS

## 1. Initialization file:

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package interfaces;

import java.io.*;
import java.util.*;
import java.awt.*;

import etc.*;
import elements.*;
import mmi.*;
import tools.*;

public class Initialisierung {
    GraphEditor editor;
    // Der hat die Tokens aus der
    Datei
    StreamTokenizer token;
    // Hier kommen alle erlaubten
    Knoten und Kanten aus der
    .lrc Datei rein.
    // Die Einträge werden mit den
    Namen der Objekte referenziert
    Hashtable gobjekte;
    // Die aktuelle .lrc Datei
    //String configFile;
    // steht jetzt bei den Einstel-
    lungen
    /**
     * Hier stehen alle Attribute
     drin.
     */
    Hashtable attributNamen;
    /**
     * hier kommen die Einträge für
     das Menue Tools
     * hinein.
     */
    Hashtable tools;
    public Initialisie-
    rung(GraphEditor editor) {
        this.editor = editor;
        gobjekte = new Hashtable();
        attributNamen = new Has-
        table();
        tools = new Hashtable();
    }

    /**
     * Diese Methode würde die er-
     ste Initialisierungsdatei
     * einlesen für die Einstellu-
     gen der Farben, Schriften...
     * Aber ich darf leider nicht.
     */
    public void readFirst(String
    name) {
        String configFile = new
        String(name);
        int c;
        //Properties properties = new
        Properties();
        //properties = Sy-
        stem.getProperty();
        //filename = new String(..")
        + proper-
        ties.getProperty("file.separator")
        + configFile);
        try {
            File file = new
            File(configFile);
            //FileInputStream in = new
            FileInputStream(file);
            FileReader in = new File-
            Reader(file);
            token = new StreamTokeni-
            zer(in);

            //Einstellen der Optionen
            for token
                to-
            ken.eolIsSignificant(true);
                token.quoteChar('"');
                //token.quoteChar('\'');
                //token.quoteChar('\'');
                token.quoteChar('\'');

            //Überlese ( und , und ;
            to-
            ken.whitespaceChars('(',')');
            to-
            ken.whitespaceChars('(',')');
            to-
            ken.whitespaceChars(';',',');
            to-
            ken.whitespaceChars(';',',');

            boolean fertig = false;
            while (!fertig) {
                switch
                (c=token.nextToken())(

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        case StreamTokenizer.TT_EOF:
            fertig= true;
            break;
        case StreamTokenizer.TT_WORD:
            if (token.sval.equals("DATAPATH")) {
                c=token.nextToken();
                if (c == '"') {
                    Sy-
stem.out.println("DATAPATH " +
token.sval);
                }
                break;
            }
            if (token.sval.equals("DATAFILTER")) {
                c=token.nextToken();
                if (c == '"') {
                    Sy-
stem.out.println("DATAFILTER " +
token.sval);
                }
                break;
            }
            if (token.sval.equals("FILELIST")) {
                while (c != ')') {
c=token.nextToken();
                if (c ==
'"') {
                    edi-
tor.getMenueleiste().addFileToMen-
u(token.sval);
                }
                break;
            }
            if (token.sval.equals("COLORS")) {
                while (c != ')') {
c=token.nextToken();
                if (c == Stream-
Tokenizer.TT_WORD) {
                    String aus-
wahl = token.sval;
c=token.nextToken();
                }
                if (token.sval.equals("Wert1 " + to-
ken.nval);
                    int r =
(int)token.nval;
                    int g =
(int)token.nval;
                    int b =
(int)token.nval;
                    //System.out.flush();
                    ueberge-
be(auswahl,r,g,b);
                }
                break;
            }
            if (token.sval.equals("FONTS")) {
                while (c != ')') {
c=token.nextToken();
                if (c == Stream-
Tokenizer.TT_WORD) {
                    String aus-
wahl = token.sval;
                    //System.out.print("FONT " + to-
ken.sval);
c=token.nextToken();
                    String font-
name = token.sval;
                    //System.out.print(" NAME " + to-
ken.sval);
c=token.nextToken();
                    String style
= token.sval;
                    //System.out.print(" STYLE " +
token.sval);
c=token.nextToken();
                    int size
=(int) token.nval;
                    ueberge-
be(auswahl,fontname,style,size);
                    //System.out.println(" SIZE " +
token.nval);
                }
                break;
            }
        }
    }
}

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        if
        (token.sval.equals("SHORTCUTS"))
        {
            while (c != '\'')
            {
                c=token.nextToken();
                if (c == '\'')
                {
                    String mpunkt = token.sval;
                    //System.out.print("MENUPUNKT " +
                    token.sval);
                    c=token.nextToken();
                    String icon1
                    = token.sval;
                    //System.out.print("ICON1 " + to-
                    ken.sval);
                    c=token.nextToken();
                    String icon2
                    = token.sval;
                    //System.out.println("ICON2 " +
                    token.sval);
                    edi-
                    tor.getShortcutleiste().addShortB
                    utton();
                }
                break;
            }
            if
            (token.sval.equals("ACCELERATOR"))
            {
                while (c != '\'')
                {
                    c=token.nextToken();
                    if (c == '\'')
                    {
                        String la-
                        bel = token.sval;
                        //System.out.print("MENUPUNKT " +
                        token.sval);
                        c=token.nextToken();
                        if (c ==
                        StreamTokenizer.TT_WORD) {
                            char cut =
                            token.sval.charAt(0);
                            //System.out.println(" TASTEN " +
                            cut);
                            edi-
                            tor.getMenueleiste().addShortcutT
                            oVector(label, cut);
                        }
                    }
                }
            }
        }
        if
        (token.sval.equals("WINDOWSIZE"))
        {
            c=token.nextToken();
            int x
            =(int)token.nval;
            c=token.nextToken();
            c=token.nextToken();
            int y
            =(int)token.nval;
            //size.setSize(x,y);
            break;
        }
        if
        (token.sval.equals("WINDOWPOSITIO
        N"))
        {
            c=token.nextToken();
            int x
            =(int)token.nval;
            c=token.nextToken();
            c=token.nextToken();
            int y
            =(int)token.nval;
            //location.setSize(x,y);
            break;
        }
        if
        (token.sval.equals("AUTHOR")) {
            c=token.nextToken();
            if (c == '\'')
            {
                Sy-
                stem.out.println("AUTHOR " + to-
                ken.sval);
            }
            break;
        }
        if
        (token.sval.equals("TOOLS"))
        {
            while (c != '\'')
            {
                c=token.nextToken();
                if (c == '\'')
                {
                    String pfad
                    =new String(token.sval);
                    //System.out.println("TOOL " +
                    token.sval);
                }
            }
        }
    }
}

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        }
        if
        (token.sval.equals("ACCELERATOR"))
        ) {
            Sy-
            stem.out.println("Lese Accelerator");
            readAccel();
            break;
        }
        default:
    }
}

in.close();
System.out.flush();
System.out.println("EINLESEN
DER DATEI " +configFile + "
FERTIG!");
//und wichtig für die Anzei-
ge:
setLayer();
setAttributNames();
} catch
(FileNotFoundException e) {
    System.err.println( con-
figFile + " is not found");
} catch (IOException e) {
    e.printStackTrace();
}
}

private void readToolbar(String
lgcPath) {
    int c = '(';
    gobjekte.clear();
    //System.out.println("Jetzt
kommt die Toolbar");
    try {
        while (c != ')') {
            switch
(c=token.nextToken()){
                case StreamTokeni-
zer.TT_WORD:
                    if
(token.sval.equals("NODE")) {
//System.out.println("Lese Kno-
ten");
                    readNode(lgcPath);
                    break;
                }
                if
(token.sval.equals("EDGE")) {
//System.out.println("Lese Kan-
te");
                    readEdge(lgcPath);
                    break;
                }
            default:
        }
    }
    if
c=token.nextToken();
    // System.out.println("Fertig
Toolbar");
}
}

private void readNode(String
lgcPath) {
    int c ='(';
    String typename = new
String();
    String image = new String();
    Vector ecken = new Vector();
    Vector konnektoren = new Vec-
tor();
    Vector konnektorNamen = new
Vector();
    Attribute attribute = new
StandardAttribute();
    Color color = new Co-
lor(255,255,255);
    //System.out.println("Ein
Knoten");
    try {
        while (c != ')') {
            switch (c){
                case StreamTokeni-
zer.TT_WORD:
                    // Wird nicht mehr be-
notigt
                    // if
(token.sval.equals("TYPE")) {
                    ///
c=token.nextToken();
                    // Sy-
stem.out.println("Lese TYPE" +
token.sval);
                    ///
                    break;
                }
                if
(token.sval.equals("NAME")) {
c=token.nextToken();
                    typename = new
String(token.sval);
                    // Sy-
stem.out.println("Lese NAME" +
typename);
                    break;
                }
                if
(token.sval.equals("ATTRIBUTES"))
                (
                    attribute = new
StandardAttribute();

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        while
((c=token.nextToken()) != ')') {
    String aname =
new String(token.sval);
    c = to-
ken.nextToken();
    String wert = new
String(token.sval);
        attribu-
te.addAttribute(aname,wert,true);
        attributNa-
men.put(aname,aname);
    // Sy-
stem.out.println("Lese Attribut-
te" + attribute);
    }

        break;
    }
    if
(token.sval.equals("IMAGE")) {
c=token.nextToken();
    image = new
String(token.sval);
    // Sy-
stem.out.println("Lese IMAGE" +
image);
    break;
}
    if
(token.sval.equals("FILLEDPOLYGON
")) {
    ek-
ken.removeAllElements();
    int x,y;
    while
((c=token.nextToken()) != ')') {
        x =
(int)token.nval;
c=token.nextToken();
        y =
(int)token.nval;
        ek-
ken.addElement(new Point(x,y));
    // Sy-
stem.out.println("Lese POLYGON" +
ecken);
    }
    // jetzt sollten
alle Daten da sein, und es
    // kann ein Knoten-
prototyp erzeugt werden.
        GraphObjekt knoten =
new FilledPolygonKnoten(typname,
ecken,
konnektoren,
konnektorNamen,

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attribute);
    kno-
ten.setColor(color);
    // Sy-
stem.out.println("Setze Farbe " +
color);
    // Erzeuge Button
mit Werkzeug für Werkzeugeiste
    ToolButton b = new
ToolButton(lgcPath + "images/" +
image,
typename,
new KnotenTool(editor,typename),
editor.getToolbar());
    edi-
tor.getToolbar().addToolBarButton(b);
    // Eintrag in die
Hashtabelle
    gobjek-
te.put(typname,knoten);
    // Sy-
stem.out.println("In Hashtabelle:
" + gobjekte);
    break;
}
    if
(token.sval.equals("POLYGON")) {
    ek-
ken.removeAllElements();
    int x,y;
    while
((c=token.nextToken()) != ')') {
        x =
(int)token.nval;
c=token.nextToken();
        y =
(int)token.nval;
        ek-
ken.addElement(new Point(x,y));
    // Sy-
stem.out.println("Lese POLYGON" +
ecken);
    }
    // jetzt sollten
alle Daten da sein, und es
    // kann ein Knoten-
prototyp erzeugt werden.
        GraphObjekt knoten =
new PolygonKnoten(typname,
ecken,
konnektoren,
konnektorNamen,

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attribute);
        kno-
ten.setColor(color);
        // Sy-
stem.out.println("Setze Farbe " +
color);
        // Erzeuge Button
mit Werzeug für Werkzeugleiste
        // Der Button greift
über den typnamen auf den richti-
gen
        // Knoten zu.
        ToolButton b = new
ToolButton(lgcPath + "images/" +
image,
        typename,
        new KnotenTool(editor,typename),
        editor.getToolbar());
        edi-
tor.getToolbar().addToolBarButton(b)
        ;
        // Eintrag in die
Hashtabelle
        gobjek-
te.put(typname,knoten);
//System.out.println("In Hashta-
belle: " + gobjekte);
        break;
    }
    if
(token.sval.equals("FILLEDOVAL"))
{
        int breite=10;
        int hoehe=10;
        while
((c=token.nextToken()) != '}') {
        breite =
(int)token.nval;
        c=token.nextToken();
        (int)token.nval;
        hoehe =
        stem.out.println("Lese OVAL_FILL"
+ token.nval);
        }
        // jetzt sollten
alle Daten da sein, und es
        // kann ein Knoten-
prototyp erzeugt werden.
        GraphObjekt knoten
= new FilledOvalKnoten(typname,
        hoehe,
        breite,
        konnektoren,
        konnektorNamen,
        attribute);
        kno-
ten.setColor(color);
        // Sy-
stem.out.println("Setze Farbe " +
color);
        // Erzeuge Button
mit Werzeug für Werkzeugleiste
        ToolButton b = new
ToolButton(lgcPath + "images/" +
image,
        typename,
        new KnotenTool(editor,typename),
        editor.getToolbar());
        edi-
tor.getToolbar().addToolBarButton(b)
        ;
        // Eintrag in die
Hashtabelle
        gobjek-
te.put(typname,knoten);
//System.out.println("In Hashta-
belle: " + gobjekte);
        break;
    }
    if
(token.sval.equals("OVAL")) {
        int breite=10;
        int hoehe=10;
        while
((c=token.nextToken()) != '}') {
        breite =
(int)token.nval;
        c=token.nextToken();
        hoehe =
        (int)token.nval;
        // Sy-
stem.out.println("Lese OVAL" +
token.nval);
        }
        // jetzt sollten
alle Daten da sein, und es
        // kann ein Knoten-
prototyp erzeugt werden.
        GraphObjekt knoten
= new OvalKnoten( typename,
        hoehe,
        breite,

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konnektoren,
konnektorNamen,
attribute);
kno-
ten.setColor(color);
// Sy-
stem.out.println("Setze Farbe " +
color);
// Erzeuge Button
mit Werkzeug für Werkzeugleiste
ToolButton b = new
ToolButton(lgcPath + "images/" +
image,
typename,
new KnotenTool(editor,typename),
editor.getToolbar());
edi-
tor.getToolbar().addToolBarButton(b);
// Eintrag in die
Hashtabelle
gobjek-
te.put(typname,knoten);
//System.out.println("In Hashta-
belle: " + gobekte);
break;
}
if
(token.sval.equals("CONNECTORS"))
{
konnekto-
ren.removeAllElements();
int x,y;
String name;
while
((c=token.nextToken()) != '}')
{
x =
(int)token.nval;
c=token.nextToken();
y =
(int)token.nval;
c=token.nextToken();
name = to-
ken.sval;
konnekto-
ren.addElement(new Point(x,y));
konnektorNa-
men.addElement(name);
// Sy-
stem.out.println("Lese Konnektoren" +
konnektoren);
// Sy-
stem.out.println("Die Namen: " +
konnektorNamen);
}
break;
}
if
(token.sval.equals("COLOR")) {
c=token.nextToken();
//System.out.println("Lese COLOR" +
token.nval);
int r =
(int)token.nval;
c=token.nextToken();
//System.out.println("Lese COLOR" +
token.nval);
int g =
(int)token.nval;
c=token.nextToken();
//System.out.println("Lese COLOR" +
token.nval);
int b =
(int)token.nval;
color = new Co-
lor(r,g,b);
break;
}
default:
//switch
c=token.nextToken();
// Sy-
stem.out.println("NAECHSTES
TOKEN" + token.sval);
//while
//c=token.nextToken();
} catch (IOException e) {
e.printStackTrace();
}
// System.out.println("Bende
readNode");
}//readNode

private void readEdge(String
lgcPath) {
// System.out.println("Eine
Kante");
int c ='(';
String typename = new
String();
String image = new String();
Attribute attribute = new
StandardAttribute();

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        break;
    }
    default:
    //switch
    ctoken.nextToken();
    // sy-
stem.out.println("NAECHSTES
TOKEN" + token.sval);
    //while
    //ctoken.nextToken();
    } catch (IOException e) {
        e.printStackTrace();
    }
    // System.out.println("Bende
readEdge");

//readEdge

private void readMenu() {
    tools.clear();
    int c = '(';
    try {
        while
((ctoken.nextToken() != ')') {
        //ctoken.nextToken();
        String namen = to-
ken.sval;
        System.out.println("Jetzt
kommt das Menu"+ namen);
        c = token.nextToken();
        String aufruf = to-
ken.sval;
        System.out.println("Jetzt
kommt das Menu"+ aufruf);
        tools.put(new
String(namen), new
String(aufruf));
    }
    } catch (IOException e) {
        e.printStackTrace();
    }
}

private void readAnalyse() {
    System.out.println("Jetzt
kommt die Analyse");
}

private void readShorts() {
    System.out.println("Jetzt
kommt die Shortcut");
}

private void readAccel() {
    System.out.println("Jetzt
kommen die Accelerators");
}

        // private void uebergebe
        (String mpunkt, String
icon1, String icon2) {
        // public void addBut-
ton(String menuePunkt, String
image1, String image2)
        private void uebergebe(String
auswahl, String name, String style,
int size) {
            int styleInt = 0;
            switch (style.charAt(0)){
                case 'B':
                    styleInt = Font.BOLD;
                    break;
                case 'P':
                    styleInt = Font.PLAIN;
                    break;
                case 'I':
                    styleInt = Font.ITALIC;
                    break;
                default:
                    styleInt = Font.PLAIN;
            }
            Font font = new Font(name,
styleInt, size);
            switch (auswahl.charAt(0)){
                case 'M':
                    edi-
tor.getMenueleiste().setFont(font
);
                    break;
                case 'P':
                    //noch zu Implementieren
                    break;
                case 'S':
                    edi-
tor.getStatusleiste().setFont(fon
t);
                    break;
            }
        }

        private void uebergebe(String
auswahl, int r, int g, int b) {
            if (auswahl.equals("PAPER")){
                edi-
tor.getZeichenflaeche().setBackground
(new Color(r,g,b));
            }
            if (auswahl.equals("GRID")){
                //noch zu implementieren
            }
            if
(auswahl.equals("MENUBGC")){
                // edi-
tor.getMenueleiste().setBackground
(new Color(r,g,b));
            }
            if
(auswahl.equals("MENUFGC")){

```

```

    // menubar.setForeground(new
    Color(r,g,b));
    }
    if
    (auswahl.equals("STATUSBGC")){
        edi-
    tor.getStatusleiste().setBackground
    nd (new Color(r,g,b));
    }
    if
    (auswahl.equals("STATUSFGC")){
        edi-
    tor.getStatusleiste().setForegrou
    nd(new Color(r,g,b));
    }
    if
    (auswahl.equals("TOOLBGC")){
        edi-
    tor.getToolbar().setBackground(ne
    w Color(r,g,b));
    }
    if
    (auswahl.equals("TOOLFGC")){
        edi-
    tor.getToolbar().setForeground
    (new Color(r,g,b));
    }
    if
    (auswahl.equals("SHORTCUTBGC")){
        edi-
    tor.getShortcutleiste().setBackground
    (new Color(r,g,b));
    }
    if
    (auswahl.equals("SHORTCUTFGC")){
        edi-
    tor.getShortcutleiste().setForegr
    round (new Color(r,g,b));
    }

    /**
     * Liefert eine Kopie eines
     * GraphObjektes
     */
    public GraphObjekt getOb
    jekt(String name) {
    if
    (gobjekte.containsKey(name)) {
        GraphObjekt vater =
    (GraphObjekt)gobjekte.get(name);
        return
    (GraphObjekt)vater.copy();
    } else {
        return null;
    }
    }

    /**
     * Diese Methode fügt alle an
     * zeigbaren ObjekteTypen in die
     * Hashtable der Klasse Gra
     phObjekt ein,
     * -> alle Objekte werden ange
     zeigt.
    */
    public void setLayer() {
        Hashtable alle = new Has
        table(gobjekte.size(),1.0f);
        Enumeration e = gobjek
        te.keys();
        while (e.hasMoreElements())
        {
            String key =
    (String)e.nextElement();
            alle.put(key,new
            String(key));
        }
        GraphObjekt.toShow = alle;
    }

    /**
     * Liefert alle anzeigbaren
     * Layers zurück.
    */
    public Enumeration getLayers()
    {
        return gobjekte.keys();
    }

    /**
     * Liefert die maximale Anzahl
     * der Layers zurück.
    */
    public int countLayers() {
        return gobjekte.size();
    }

    /**
     * Diese Methode fügt alle an
     * zeigbaren AttributNamenn in die
     * Hashtable der Klasse Attri
     * bute ein,
     * -> alle Attribute werden an
     * gezeigt.
    */
    public void setAttributNames()
    {
        Hashtable alle = new Has
        table(attributNamen.size(),1.0f);
        Enumeration e = attributNa
        men.keys();
        while (e.hasMoreElements())
        {
            String key =
    (String)e.nextElement();
            alle.put(key,new
            String(key));
        }
        Attribute.toShow = alle;
    }
}

```

```

    /**
     * Liefert alle anzeigbaren
     * Attributnamen zurück.
     */
    public Enumeration getAttribut-
    butNames() {
        return attributNamen.keys();
    }

    /**
     * Liefert die maximale Anzahl
     * der Attribute zurück.
     */
    public int countAttributNa-
    mes() {
        return attributNamen.size();
    }

    /**
     * Fügt einen Attribut namen
     * in die

```

2."load" file

```

package commands;

import etc.*;
import java.awt.*;
import java.awt.*;
import java.io.*;
import interfaces.*;

/**
 * Ladt einen Graphen aus einer
 * .lgf Datei.
 */
public class Load extends Befehl {
    Vector undo;

    public Load(GraphEditor edi-
    tor) {
        super(editor);
        undo=new Vector();
        help =
        "<filename.lgf/.lgc/.lgt>";
    }

    public void ausfuehren(String[]
    param) {
        //System.out.println(param);
        int anzahl = param.length;
        switch (anzahl) {
            case 0 : // bei keinem Ar-
            gument tun wir nichts.
                break;
            case 1 : // bei einem Ar-
            gument wird erst nachgeschaut!

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```

                * Hashtabel ein.
                */
                public void addAttributName (
String name) {
                    attributNamen.put(new
String(name), new String(name));
                }

                /**
                 */
                public Hashtable getTools() {
                    return tools;
                }

                // public String getConfigfile()
                // {
                //     return configFile;
                // }

```

```

                if
                (param[0].endsWith(".lgc") ||
                pa-
                ram[0].endsWith(".lgf") ||
                pa-
                ram[0].endsWith(".lgt") ) {
                    // wir wurden
                    von der Commandozeile aufgerufen
                    File file = new
                    File(param[0]);
                    //System.out.println("Der Pfad :
                    " + file.getParent());
                    //System.out.println("Der Name :
                    " + file.getName());
                    true-
                    fe(file.getParent() + "/", file.getN
ame());
                    } else {
                        //nothing
                    }
                    break;
                default : //zuviel Parama-
                ter
                    break;
                }//switch
            }

            public void ausfuehren(String
            param){
                edi-
                tor.getStatusleiste().show("Load.
                ..");
                ((Component)editor).setCursor(Cur

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sor.getPredefinedCursor(Cursor.WA
IT_CURSOR));
    FileDialog fd = new FileDia
log((Frame)editor,null,FileDialog
·LOAD);
    // das hat leider noch keine
Auswirkungen in Windows und Sola
ris
    // ab 1.1.6 gehts doch

fd.setDirectory(System.getProperty
("user.dir"));
    // das schon
    fd.setFile("noname.lgf");
    FilenameFilter filter = new
lgFilter();
    fd.setFilenameFilter(filter);
    fd.show();
    String dir =
fd.getDirectory();
    String file = fd.getFile();
    // fd.getFile() liefert null
bei Abbruch!
    if (file== null) {
        // nichts zu tun

((Component)editor).setCursor(Cur
sor.getDefaultCursor());
    return;
} else {
    // laden

//System.out.println(fd.getDirect
ory());
//System.out.println(fd.getFile()
);
    Vector ge
loescht=editor.getGraph().removeA
ll();
    pruefe(dir,file);
    edi
tor.getGraph().setChanged(false);
    editor.setAuswahl(new Vec
tor());
    Vector lastCommands = edi
tor.getLastCommands();
    if (lastCommands.size() <
10) {
        lastCom
mands.addElement(this);
    } else {
        lastCom
mands.removeElementAt(0);
        lastCom
mands.addElement(this);
    }
    if (undo.size() < 10) {
        undo.addElement(geloescht);
    } else {
        undo.removeElementAt(0);
    }
    undo.addElement(geloescht);
}
//else
    edi
tor.getZeichenflaeche().drawBuff
e(editor.getGraph());
((Component)editor).setCursor(Cur
sor.getDefaultCursor());
    edi
tor.getStatusleiste().show("Done"
);
}
/***
 * Macht Datei laden ruckgan
gig.
 */
    public void undo() {
        edi
tor.getStatusleiste().show("Undo:
Load...");
((Component)editor).setCursor(Cur
sor.getPredefinedCursor(Cursor.WA
IT_CURSOR));
    if (!undo.isEmpty()) {
        Vector insert =
(Vector)undo.lastElement();
        if (insert != null) {
            edi
tor.getGraph().removeAll();
            edi
tor.getGraph().add(insert);
        insert.removeAllElements();
    }
    undo.removeElement(undo.lastEle
ment());
}
    edi
tor.getZeichenflaeche().drawBuff
e(editor.getGraph());
    edi
tor.getGraph().setChanged(true);
    edi
tor.getStatusleiste().show("Done"
);
((Component)editor).setCursor(Cur
sor.getDefaultCursor());
}
//undo
/***
 * Wiederholt Datei laden..
 */
    public void redo() {
        edi
tor.getStatusleiste().show("Redo:
Load...");
        ausfuehren();
}

```

```

    // redo

    /**
     * Diese Klasse wird leider
     * nicht an
     * die Windows bzw Solaris Kom-
     * ponente
     * weitergereicht.
     */
    class lgcFilter implements Fi-
    lenameFilter {
        public boolean accept (File
        dir, String name) {
            return ( na-
            me.endsWith(".lgf") || 
            me.endsWith(".lgc") || 
            na-
            me.endsWith(".lgt") );
        }
    }
    /**
     * Diese Methode ueberpruft, ob
     die richtige
     * Konfigurationsdatei geladen
     ist, ansonsten wird
     * versucht die richtige zu la-
     den.(>Editor zuruecksetzen)
     * Dannach wird die gewunschte
     .lgf oder .lgc Datei
     * geladen.
     */
    private void pruefe (String
    pfad, String datei) {
        Einstellungen settings= edi-
        tor.getEinstellungen();
        if (datei.endsWith(".lgc")) {
            //System.out.println("eine
            lgc Datei");
            File f = new File(pfad +
            datei);
            if (f.exists()) {
                settings.appName = Ein-
                stellungen.format(datei);
                settings.fileName= "";
                settings.frameName= set-
                tings.fileName+ " "
                +settings.appName + " "
                +settings.copyright;
                settings.configFile = new
                String(datei);
                settings.lgcPath = new
                String(pfad);
                //wir Starten den Editor
                neu
                    editor.start();
                } else {
                    System.err.println("File
                    not found : " + settings.lgcPath +
                    datei);
                }
            } else if
            (datei.endsWith(".lgf")) {
                //System.out.println("eine
                lgf Datei");
                File f = new File(pfad +
                datei);
                if (f.exists()) {
                    settings.fileName= da-
                    tei;
                    // wir holen uns noch den
                    namen des .lgc Files:
                    String config = edi-
                    tor.getDateischnittstelle().getCo-
                    nfig(pfad + datei);
                    //System.out.println("Der
                    neue Name der Lgc datei " + con-
                    fig);
                    f = new
                    File(settings.lgcPath + config);
                    if (f.exists()) {
                        // ist diese lgc Datei
                        schon geladen?
                        if
                        (settings.configFile.equals(config)) {
                            //wir muessen nur die
                            lgf Datei laden
                            edi-
                            tor.getDateischnittstelle().load(
                            pfad,datei,editor.getGraph());
                            settings.frameName =
                            settings.fileName+ " "
                            +settings.appName + " "
                            +settings.copyright;
                            (Frame)editor. set-
                            Title(settings.frameName);
                        } else {
                            // wir müssen auch
                            die Konfigurationsdatei laden
                            settings.appName =
                            Einstellungen.format(config);
                            settings.configFile =
                            new String(config);
                            settings.frameName =
                            settings.fileName+ " "
                            +settings.appName + " "
                            +settings.copyright;
                            //wir Starten den
                            Editor neu
                                editor.start();
                            edi-
                            tor.getDateischnittstelle().load(
                            pfad,datei,editor.getGraph());
                        }
                    } else {
                        Sy-
                        stem.err.println("File not found
                        : " + settings.lgcPath + config);
                    }
                } else {
                    System.err.println("File
                    not found : " + pfad + datei);
                }
            }
        }
    }
}

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        }
        //start();
    } else if
        (datei.endsWith(".lgt")) {
        //System.out.println("eine
        lgt Datei");
        File f = new File(pfad +
        datei);
        if (f.exists()) {
            settings.fileName = da-
            tei;
            settings.frameName = set-
            tings.fileName + " "
            + settings.appName + " "
            + settings.copyright;
            // wir holen uns noch den
            namen des .lgc Files:
            //String config = edi-
            tor.getDateischnittstelle().getCo-
            nfig(pfad + datei);
            //System.out.println("Der
            neue Name der Lgc datei " + con-
            fig);
            //f = new
            File(settings.lgcPath + config);
            //if (f.exists()) {
            // ist diese lgc Datei
            schon geladen?
            //if
            (settings.configFile.equals(config)) {
                //wir muessen nur die
                lgt Datei laden und interpretie-
                ren
                LgtInterpreter inter-
                preter=editor.getInterpreter();
                //System.out.println("Der Inter-
                preter : " + interpreter);
                if (interpreter ==
                null) {
                    interpreter = new
                    LgtInterpreter(editor, pfad + da-
                    tei);
                    edi-
                    tor.setInterpreter(interpreter);
                    interpre-
                    ter.start();
                } else {

```

### 3. "toolbar" file

```

package mmi;

import java.awt.*;
import java.awt.event.*;
import etc.*;
import tools.*;

```

```

* Die Toolbar ermöglicht das
hinzufügen und entfernen
* von ToolButtons, und deren zu-
gehörigen ActionListener.
*/
public class Toolbar extends Pa-
nel {
    GraphEditor editor;
    Tool currentTool;
    ToolButton currentButton;
    int borderSize = 4;
    /**
     * Der Konstruktor erzeugt das
AuswahlTool,
     * da dieses immer vorhanden
sein sollte.
    */
    public Toolbar(GraphEditor edi-
tor) {
        this.editor = editor;
        setLayout(new Barlay-
out(BarLayout.VERTICAL, 2));
        setBackground-
und(editor.getEinstellungen().too-
lbarBgCo);
        // eine kleine Lucke
        add(new Space(5,24));
        Toolbutton b = new ToolBut-
ton(editor.getEinstellungen().lge-
Path +
        "images/auswahl.gif",
        "Select",
        new AuswahlTool(editor),this);
        setCurrentTool(b.getTool());
        setCurrentButton(b);
        add(b);
        add(new Space(5,24));
    }

    public Insets getInsets() {
        Insets insets =
        (Insets)super.getInsets().clone
        ();
        insets.top += borderSize;
        insets.left +=
        (borderSize+2);
        insets.bottom += borderSize;
        insets.right +=
        (borderSize+2);
        return insets;
    }

    public void paint(Graphics g) {
        super.paint(g);
        Insets insets = su-
per.getInsets();
        int w = getSize().width-
insets.left-insets.right;
        int h = getSize().height-
insets.top-insets.bottom;
        g.setcolor(editor.getEinstellung-
e().toolbarBgCo);
        for (int i=0; i<borderSize;
        i++) {
            g.draw3DRect(i+insets.left,i+in-
sets.top,
                w-2*i-1, h-
2*i-1, i<borderSize/2);
        }
        /**
         * Fügt einen ToolButton hinzu.
        */
        public void addToolBut-
ton(ToolButton button) {
            add(button);
        }
        /**
         * Entfernt einen ToolButton.
        */
        public void deleteToolBut-
ton(ToolButton button) {
        }
        /**
         * Setzt das aktuelle Tool;
         * wird normalerweise von den
ToolButtons aufgerufen.
        */
        public void setCurrentTool(Tool
currentTool) {
            this.currentTool = current-
Tool;
            this.currentTool.reset();
        }
        /**
         * Setzt den aktuellen Button,
damit der nächste
* aktuelle Button ihn zurück-
setzen kann.
        */
        public void setCurrentBut-
ton(ToolButton currentButton) {
            if (this.currentButton !=
null)
                this.currentButton.setUp();
            this.currentButton = current-
Button;
            this.currentButton.setDown();
        }
    }
}

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```

        * Liefert das aktuelle Tool
zurück.
        * wird normalerweise von den
Zeichenfläche aufgerufen.
    */
    public Tool getCurrentTool() {
        return currentTool;
    }

    /**
     * Liefert den aktuellen But-
ton, damit der nächste
     * aktuelle Button ihn zurück-
setzen kann.
    */

```

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**[Description] SPECIFICATION**

~~[Method for determining a graphic structure of a technical system and arrangement  
15 and set of arrangements for determining]~~ **TITLE**

**METHOD FOR DETERMINING A GRAPHIC STRUCTURE OF A TECHNICAL  
SYSTEM AND ARRANGEMENT AND SET OF ARRANGEMENTS FOR  
DETERMINING A GRAPHIC STRUCTURE  
BACKGROUND OF THE INVENTION**

20 **Field of the Invention**

**1 The invention relates to the selection of elements of a graph structure file  
in order to describe the structure of a technical system graphically.**

**Description of the Related Art**

25 **2 It is known to describe different technical systems by means of a graphic  
structure. Such descriptions are known from, for example, product brochures  
for products provided by Zuchen-Redac (e.g., Analysis Products, CAD Products,  
CAE Products, CAM Products, and Data Conversion Products—formerly  
available on September 22, 1998 at  
30 [http://www.redac.co.uk/prod\\_info/brochures/14a.html](http://www.redac.co.uk/prod_info/brochures/14a.html) (the Zuchen-Redac  
brochures), herein incorporated by reference, that disclose[1] discloses] how,  
for a technical system such as an electronic circuit, the electrical circuit is determined  
in the form of a graphic structure with elements which describe an electronic circuit.**

**3 Elements of a [graph] graphic structure in the field of a circuit simulation are**

symbols which symbolize electronic components, for example, a resistor, a capacitor, an inductor, a transistor, an operational amplifier or other electronic components composed of these elements.

4 In the method [known from [1]] and [the] arrangement known from [[1]] the 5 **Zuken-Redac brochures**, elements for graphically describing an electronic circuit which are made available to a user by an editor program are selected in such a way that the "electronic circuit" constituting the technical system is described using the selected elements. The elements are represented by the editor program.

5 A [graph] **graphic** structure describes a [graph] **graphic**  $G (= V, E, \Psi)$  which 10 has a finite, non-empty set  $V$  ( $v \in \blacksquare V$  designate nodes of the [graph] **graphic**  $G$ ), and a finite set  $E$  ( $e \in \blacksquare E$  designate edges of the [graph] **graphic**  $G$ ). The nodes and edges of the [graph] **graphic** are logically combined by an incidence function  $\Psi$  which is formed according to the following rule:

$$\Psi: E \rightarrow \{(i, j) \mid i, j \in \blacksquare V\} \quad (1)$$

15 6 Each edge  $e$  of the set  $E$  of edges is assigned its two end places by the incidence function  $\Psi(e)$ .

7 Depending on the field of application, different types of nodes and edges may 20 be provided in an editor program for describing a technical system. Nodes and edges to which an application-dependent semantic is assigned are generally designated as elements of the [graph] **graphic** in an editor program. A node element of a [graph] **graphic** is, for example in the editor program in [[1]] the Zuken-Redac brochures, a symbol which symbolizes an electronic component of the electronic circuit. The edges can be used to describe weighted connections between the individual elements. Generally, the respective nodes and edges can be assigned 25 a weight, a value or any desired text for information (textual information).

[[2]] 8 G. Chiola, G. Franceschinis, R. Gaeta and M. Ribaudo, GreatSPN 1.7: Graphical Editor and Analyzer for Timed and Stochastic Petri Nets, Performance Evaluation, special issue on Performance Modeling Tools, 24 (1&2), pp. 47 - 68, November 1995 (Chiola), herein incorporated by reference, 30 discloses an editor program for determining a Petri net. A Petri net is preferably used to analyze and design a closed-loop control system or an open-loop control system of a technical system, generally for describing system characteristics of a technical

system. A **[graph] graphic**, which is illustrated in the form of a Petri net, has a place S or a transition T as elements. A general overview of a Petri net and its basic elements can be found in [[3]].

5 **G. Schmidt, Grundlagen der Regelungstechnik: Analyse und Entwurf linearer und einfacher nichtlinearer Regelungen sowie diskreter Steuerungen**

**[Principles of control technology: analysis and design of linear and simple nonlinear closed-loop controls and discrete open-loop controls], second edition, Springer-Verlag [Publishing House], ISBN 3-540-17112-6, Berlin, pp.**

**320 - 328, 1991 (Schmidt), herein incorporated by reference.**

10 **9** A Petri net is generally a triplet

$$N := \langle S, T, F \rangle$$

where

(i)  $S = \{ s_1, s_2, \dots, s_n \}$  Set of places

(ii)  $T = \{ t_1, t_2, \dots, t_m \}$  Set of transitions

15 (iii)  $S \cap T = \emptyset$  S and T disjunctive

(the node set is

composed of S and T)

(iv)  $F \subseteq (S \times T) \cup (T \times S)$  Flow relation

20 **10** A **particular** disadvantage with the known methods and arrangements is **[in particular]** the fact that in each case elements of a **[graph] graphic** which are provided only for a specific application are made available as a function of the application in order to determine the graphic structure of a technical system. Thus, with the editor program from [[1]] **the Zuken-Redac brochures**, only a selection of 25 the elements can be made to describe an electronic circuit, and in the case of the editor program from [[2]] **Chiola**, only a selection of elements can be made to describe a Petri net.

**11** Such a known editor program is thus extremely inflexible in a situation in which a user wishes to use different types of a graphic structure to describe a 30 technical system. **[It is then]** **In this type of program, it is** necessary to develop for each specific application a separate editor program which is adapted to the application, something which entails considerable development costs.

## SUMMARY OF THE INVENTION

**12** The invention is therefore based on [the problem of disclosing] **providing** a method for determining a graphic structure of a technical system, and an arrangement and a set of a plurality of arrangements for determining a [graph] **graphic** structure which has improved flexibility in comparison with the known methods and arrangements.

**13** The problem is solved by **a** [means of the method, the arrangement and the set of arrangements according to the features of the independent patent claims].

**A]** method for determining a graphic structure of a technical system (**which may be an electronic circuit or a piece of technical equipment**) has the following steps:

**14** a) a [graph] **graphic** structure file is selected from a set of a plurality of different [graph] **graphic** structure files, a [graph] **graphic** structure file containing, in each case, indications of which elements can be selected to represent [it] **the graphic structure file** in order to describe the structure of the technical system graphically,

**15** b) elements are selected in such a way that a technical system is described using the selected elements, and

**16** c) the elements are represented by an editor program into which the selected [graph] **graphic** structure file has been integrated, [by] **via** which [means] the graphic structure of the technical system is determined.

**[A]** **17** **The problem is also solved by an** arrangement for determining a [graph] **graphic** structure has the following features:

**18** a) a memory in which a set of a plurality of different [graph] **graphic** structure files are stored, a [graph] **graphic** structure file containing, in each case, indications of which elements can be selected to represent it in order to form a [graph] **graphic**,

**19** b) a selector unit with which a [graph] **graphic** structure file can be selected from the set of [graph] **graphic** structure files,

**20** c) a processor [which is] configured [in such a way that] **to execute** an editor program [can be executed], with which editor program a [graph] **graphic** structure file selected from the set of [graph] **graphic** structure files can be used to determine a [graph] **graphic** with elements of the selected [graph] **graphic** structure file, by which means the [graph] **graphic** structure is determined, and

**21** d) a representation component which is coupled to the editor program and

with which the specific [graph] **graphic** structure can be represented.

**22** In the inventive method, the elements may be graphic elements of a graphic which describes the technical system. Also, a further step of checking the graphic structure of the technical system for predefined structure rules may be provided as well.

5 **23** A set of a plurality of arrangements for determining a [graph] **graphic** structure has:

10 **24** a) a first arrangement which has a memory in which a set of a plurality of different [graph] **graphic** structure files are stored, a [graph] **graphic** structure file containing in each case indications of which elements can be selected to represent it in order to form a [graph] **graphic**, and

**25** b) a second arrangement which is coupled to the first arrangement and has the following components:

15 **26** - a selector unit with which a [graph] **graphic** structure file can be selected from the set of [graph] **graphic** structure files,

**27** - an editor program with which a [graph] **graphic** structure file selected from the set of [graph] **graphic** structure files can be used to determine a [graph] **graphic** with elements, of the selected [graph] **graphic** structure file, [by] via which [means] the [graph] **graphic** structure is determined, and

20 **28** - a representation component which is coupled to the editor program and with which the specific [graph] **graphic** structure can be represented.

**29** The invention discloses a method which is very flexible in comparison with the known methods and arrangements, and a very flexible arrangement for determining a graphic structure which can be adapted to new application scenarios in a quick and 25 [uncomplicated] easy way, and can be adapted more satisfactorily to existing application scenarios.

**30** In this way, different types of structures which can be represented as a [graph] **graphic** can be processed flexibly, cost-effectively, and easily with [a] the inventive method or [with an] arrangement.

30 [Preferred developments of the invention emerge from the dependent claims.]

**31** These inventive aspects are described in more detail below.

**32** The technical system is preferably an electronic circuit or a piece of technical equipment. The elements are preferably [graph] **graphic** elements of a [graph]

**graphic** which describe the technical system.

33 In a further refinement there is provision for the graphic structure of the technical system which is determined to be checked for predefined structure rules. In this way, it is possible to check a structure of the technical system determined by a user for predefined structure rules, which ensures that the structure rules for the respective technical system are complied [with in] **within** terms of its graphic structure.

10 [Such a] 34 An exemplary structure rule [is] **could be**, for example, in a Petri net, the fact that a place must always follow a transition, and vice versa. If this is not the case, within the scope of this development, the disclosure is made during checking of the graphic structure of a Petri net that the corresponding structure rule is infringed.

#### **BRIEF DESCRIPTION OF THE DRAWINGS**

15 35 An exemplary embodiment of the invention is illustrated in the figures and explained in more detail below.

[In said figures:

36 Figure 1 [shows an outline of] **is a schematic diagram showing** an arrangement according to a first exemplary embodiment;

20 37 Figure 2 [shows an outline] **is a pictorial diagram** of a representation component with a graphic structure with elements of a Petri net;

38 Figure 3 [shows an outline] **is a pictorial diagram** of a representation component with a graphic structure with elements which describe an electronic circuit;

25 39 Figure 4 [shows] **is** a flowchart in which the method steps of the method according to an exemplary embodiment are represented; **and**

40 Figure 5 [shows] **is a block diagram** of a set of a plurality of arrangements which, according to a second exemplary embodiment, are coupled to one another [by means of] **via** a communications network.

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#### **DESCRIPTION OF THE PREFERRED EMBODIMENTS**

41 Fig. 1 shows an arrangement 100 with a set 101 of a plurality of different graphic structure files 102, 103, 104, 105. Each graphic structure file 102, 103, 104,

105 is embodied as a file which can be linked dynamically (dynamic link library).

**42** A user 106 selects a graphic structure file 102, 103, 104, 105 using a selection component 108 (keyboard and/or computer mouse) which is connected to an editor program 107.

5 **43** The selected graphic structure file, in this exemplary embodiment a first graphic structure file 103, is dynamically integrated into the editor program 107.

**44** After integration into the editor program 107, a set 111 of selectable elements 112, 113, 114, which are defined in the first graphic structure file 103 as selectable elements for determining a further described [graph] **graphic** is displayed to the user 106 on a screen 110 [by means of] via a representation component 109 which is connected to the editor program 107. In addition, in this exemplary embodiment, according to the first graphic structure file 103, a first check program 115 and a second check program 116 are integrated into the editor program 107 and made available to the user 106 for selection.

10 **45** Each graphic structure file 102, 103, 104, 105 has, in each case, a set of selectable elements for the respective type of [graphs] **graphics**, in each case a graphic structure file being provided for one type of [graph] **graphic**. In addition, each graphic structure file 102, 103, 104, 105 may respectively contain a specific check program which is integrated into the respective graphic structure file 102, 103, 104, 105.

**46** After the first graphic structure file 103 has been integrated, elements of the [graph] **graphic** are selected by the user 106 and connected to one another so that a [graph] **graphic** is determined which is stored in the form of a predefined intermediate language 117 in a memory 118.

20 **47** In addition, [it is symbolically represented in Fig. 1] **Fig. 1 symbolically represents** that the user 106 stores a plurality of structures 119, 120, 121, 122, 123 for describing different [graphs, said] **graphics, these** structures relating to the type of [graph] **graphic** predefined by the first graphic file 103. The first graphic structure file 103 makes available elements which make possible a [graph] **graphic** in the form of a Petri net 201 (see Fig. 2).

**48** Fig. 2 shows the representation component 200 which is presented to the user 106 in the form of a screen surface. The screen surface 200 has a menu list 202 with different selectable options ("File", "Edit", "Object", "View", "Tools",

"Settings", "Help"). Menu items are made available to the user by means of individual selectable elements using an immediate access bar 203 by making a single, direct selection of an element.

49 In addition, a processing bar 204 is represented with selectable options for 5 determining the [graph] **graphic**. Thus, in the first graphic structure file 103, a first selection element 205 is provided with which it is possible to select and process objects represented on the screen. The selection and processing of specific elements for a Petri net 201 is made available to the user 106 [by means of] via a set 206 of further selector elements which will be explained in more detail below.

10 50 A second selector element 207 is described by [means of] an empty rectangle and symbolizes a time-specific transition. A third selector element 208 symbolizes a timeless transition, which is represented as a selected transition element 220, 221 and 222 in the Petri net 201. A fourth selector element 209 symbolizes an edge which is a directed edge in this exemplary embodiment. A fifth selector element 210 symbolizes a forbidden edge which is designated in accordance with the structure 15 rules of a Petri net 201. A sixth selector element 211 symbolizes a place **where**, in each case, a place element 223, 224, 225, 226 [being] is represented in the Petri net 201. The place elements 223, 224, 225 and 226 are connected to the transition elements 220, 221, 222 via edges 227, 228, 229, 230, 231 and 232. A seventh 20 selector element 212 symbolizes the possibility of combining a plurality of elements of the Petri net to form a composite element. An eighth selector element 213 symbolizes an input of the Petri net 201 and a ninth selector element 214 symbolizes an output of a Petri net 201.

51 The edges and the individual nodes, [that is to say] i.e., the elements of the 25 Petri net 201, are assigned textual information 251, 252, 253, 254, 255, 256, 257, 258, 259, 260 and 261. In this way it is possible to assign an additional textual description to the individual elements.

52 If a second graphic structure file 104 is integrated into the editor program 107, 30 the second graphic structure file 104 making available elements of an electronic circuit, and thus a [graph] **graphic** of an electronic circuit, a screen mask represented in Fig. 3 with a set of selector elements set up for the circuit simulation is produced.

53 The same designations are used in Fig. 3 for the same elements displayed on

the screen as represented in Fig. 2.

**54** A set 301 of selector elements which are specifically for describing a [graph] graphic of an electronic circuit contain :

- a tenth selector element 302 which symbolizes an electronic resistor,
- 5 • an eleventh selector element 303 which symbolizes an electronic capacitor,
- a twelfth selector element 304 which symbolizes an inductor,
- a thirteenth selector element 305 symbolizing a transistor,
- a fourteenth selector element 306 symbolizing an operational amplifier,
- 10 • a fifteenth selector element 307 symbolizing a non-directed edge, and
- a sixteenth selector element 308 symbolizing a power source.

**55** An electronic circuit 110 is determined by the user 106 and has, in this exemplary embodiment, a power source 311, electronic resistors 312, 313,

15 electronic capacitors 314 and 315 and an operational amplifier 316 which are each connected to one another by means of via edges 317. In addition, a ground terminal 318 is illustrated in Fig. 3. The individual circuit elements are assigned textual information 319, 320, 321, 322, 323, 324, 325, 326 for further explaining the electronic circuit 310.

20 **56** Fig. 4 shows the method in its method steps in order to clarify the method inventive method steps. In a first step (step 401) a graphic structure file 102, 103, 104, 105 is selected from a set 101 of graphic structure files 102, 103, 104, 105. In a second step (step 402), a selection is made of elements which are available in accordance with the graphic structure file 102, 103, 104, 105 which was selected in the previous step (step 401). The selected elements are illustrated by the editor program 107 in a further step (step 403).

25 **57** Fig. 5 shows a first computer 500 with a memory 502 and a processor 503 which are each connected to one another by means of via a bus 504 and to an input/output interface 501. The first computer 500 is connected to a screen 505, a keyboard 506, and a computer mouse 507 by means of via the input/output interface 501.

**58** In addition, the first computer 500 is connected to further computers 510, 520,

530, 540 and 550 via a communications network 560, in the exemplary embodiment, an ISDN network (Integrated Services Digital Network).

~~[The set 101 of graphic structure files 102, 103, 104, 105 is stored in the first computer 500.]~~

5 **59** The set 101 of graphic structure files 102, 103, 104, 105 is stored in the first computer 500. The further computers 510, 520, 530, 540 and 550 each also have a processor 513, 523, 533, 543 and 553 and each have a memory 512, 522, 532, 542 and 552. In each case the processor 513, 523, 533, 543 and 553 and the memory 512, 522, 532, 542 and 552 are connected to the communications network 10 via, in each case, a bus 514, 524, 534, 544 and 554 via an input/output interface 511, 521, 531, 541 and 551. In addition, the further computers 510, 520, 530, 540 and 550 are each connected to a screen 515, 525, 535, 545 and 555, to a keyboard 516, 526, 536, 546 and 556 and to a computer mouse 517, 527, 537, 547 and 557.

15 **60** An editor program 508, 518, 528, 538, 548, 558 is stored in each computer 500, 510, 520, 530, 540 and 550. A graphic structure file 102, 103, 104, 105 is selected by a user of a further computer 510, 520, 530, 540 and 550, and requested from the first computer 500 with a request message 570. The first computer 500 transmits the selected graphic structure file 102, 103, 104, 105 in a reply message 580 to the further computer 510, 520, 530, 540 and 550 requesting the graphic 20 structure file 102, 103, 104, 105.

25 **61** The requesting further computer 510, 520, 530, 540 and 550 has thus received the requested graphic structure file 102, 103, 104, 105, and it integrates it into its editor program 518, 528, 538, 548, 558, as described in the first exemplary embodiment.

30 **62** A number of alternatives to the exemplary embodiments described above are illustrated ~~[below]~~ as follows: The type of elements which are made available by a graphic structure file is generally freely selectable and depends only on the respective type of [graph] graphic to be determined. The technical system can, for example, also be a piece of technical equipment whose characteristics or structure can be described by the [graph] graphic. The editor program and the [graph] graphic illustrated with the editor program can be used as part of a simulation of the technical system.

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A way of implementing the exemplary described above is given below,] 63 Three files are provided in the Appendix which implement the exemplary 15 embodiments written in the C/Java programming language [C, the implementation being divided into three files:]. These files are: 1) an initialization file, 2) a load file, and 3) a toolbar file.

[1. Initialization file:

Abstract

Method for determining a graphic structure of a technical system] 64 The 20 above-described method and arrangement [and set of arrangements for determining a graph structure] are illustrative of the principles of the present invention. Numerous modifications and adaptations will be readily apparent to those skilled in this art without departing from the spirit and scope of the present invention.

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[A-graph] **ABSTRACT**

65 **A graphic** structure file is selected from a set of a plurality of different [graph]  
graphic structure files. A [graph] **graphic** structure file contains in each case

5 indications of which elements can be selected to represent it in order to describe the structure of the technical system graphically. Elements are selected in such a way that the selected elements describe the technical system, and the elements are represented by an editor program into which the selected [graph] **graphic** structure file has been integrated.

**Description**

5 **Method for determining a graphic structure of a technical system and arrangement and set of arrangements for determining a graph structure**

It is known to describe different technical systems by means of a graphic structure.

10 [1] discloses how, for a technical system such as an electronic circuit, the electrical circuit is determined in the form of a graphic structure with elements which describe an electronic circuit.

15 Elements of a graph structure in the field of a circuit simulation are symbols which symbolize electronic components, for example a resistor, a capacitor, an inductor, a transistor, an operational amplifier or other electronic components composed of these elements.

20 In the method known from [1] and the arrangement known from [1], elements for graphically describing an electronic circuit which are made available to a user by an editor program are selected in such a way that the "electronic circuit" constituting the technical system is described using 25 the selected elements. The elements are represented by the editor program.

30 A graph structure describes a graph  $G$  ( $= V, E, \Psi$ ) which has a finite, non-empty set  $V$  ( $v \in V$  designate nodes of the graph  $G$ ), and a finite set  $E$  ( $e \in E$  designate edges of the graph  $G$ ). The nodes and edges of the graph are logically combined by an incidence function  $\Psi$  which is formed according to the following rule:

$$\Psi: E \rightarrow \{(i, j) | i, j \in V\} \quad (1)$$

Each edge  $e$  of the set  $E$  of edges is assigned its two end places by the incidence function  $\Psi(e)$ .

Depending on the field of application, different types of nodes and edges may be provided in 5 an editor program for describing a technical system. Nodes and edges to which an application-dependent semantic is assigned are generally designated as elements of the graph in an editor program.

10 A node element of a graph is, for example in the editor program in [1], a symbol which symbolizes an electronic component of the electronic circuit. The edges can be used to describe weighted connections between the individual elements.

15 Generally, the respective nodes and edges can be assigned a weight, a value or any desired text for information (textual information).

20 [2] discloses an editor program for determining a Petri net. A Petri net is preferably used to analyze and design a closed-loop control system or an open-loop control system of a technical system, generally for 25 describing system characteristics of a technical system. A graph, which is illustrated in the form of a Petri net, has a place  $S$  or a transition  $T$  as elements. A general overview of a Petri net and its basic elements can be found in [3].

A Petri net is generally a triplet

$N := \langle S, T, F \rangle$

where

- (i)  $S = \{ s_1, s_2, \dots, s_n \}$  Set of places
- (ii)  $T = \{ t_1, t_2, \dots, t_m \}$  Set of transitions
- (iii)  $S \cap T = \emptyset$   $S$  and  $T$  disjunctive  
5 (the node set is  
composed of  $S$  and  $T$ )
- (iv)  $F \subseteq (S \times T) \cup (T \times S)$  Flow relation

10 A disadvantage with the known methods and arrangements is in particular the fact that in each case elements of a graph which are provided only for a specific application are made available as a function of the application in order to determine the graphic structure of a technical system. Thus, with the editor program from [1], only a selection of the elements can  
15 be made to describe an electronic circuit, and in the case of the editor program from [2] only a selection of elements can be made to describe a Petri net.

20 Such a known editor program is thus extremely inflexible in a situation in which a user wishes to use different types of a graphic structure to describe a technical system. It is then necessary to develop for each specific application a separate editor program which is adapted to the application, something which entails considerable development costs.

25 The invention is therefore based on the problem of disclosing a method for determining a graphic structure of a technical system, and an arrangement and a set of a plurality of arrangements for determining a graph structure which has improved flexibility in comparison with the known methods and arrangements.

30 The problem is solved by means of the method, the arrangement and the set of arrangements according to the features of the independent patent claims.

A method for determining a graphic structure of a technical system has the following steps:

5 a) a graph structure file is selected from a set of a plurality of different graph structure files, a graph structure file containing in each case indications of which elements can be selected to represent it in order to describe the structure of the technical system graphically,

10 b) elements are selected in such a way that a technical system is described using the selected elements, and

15 c) the elements are represented by an editor program into which the selected graph structure file has been integrated, by which means the graphic structure of the technical system is determined.

An arrangement for determining a graph structure has the following features:

20 a) a memory in which a set of a plurality of different graph structure files are stored, a graph structure file containing in each case indications of which elements can be selected to represent it in order to form a graph,

25 b) a selector unit with which a graph structure file can be selected from the set of graph structure files,

30 c) a processor which is configured in such a way that an editor program can be executed, with which editor program a graph structure file selected from the set of graph structure files can be used to determine a graph with elements of the selected graph structure file, by which means the graph structure is determined, and

35 d) a representation component which is coupled to the editor program and with which the specific graph structure can be represented.

A set of a plurality of arrangements for determining a graph structure has:

5 a) a first arrangement which has a memory in which a set of a plurality of different graph structure files are stored, a graph structure file containing in each case indications of which elements can be selected to represent it in order to form a graph, and

b) a second arrangement which is coupled to the first arrangement and has the following components:

10 - a selector unit with which a graph structure file can be selected from the set of graph structure files,

15 - an editor program with which a graph structure file selected from the set of graph structure files can be used to determine a graph with elements, of the selected graph structure file, by which means the graph structure is determined,

- a representation component which is coupled to the editor program and with which the specific graph structure can be represented.

20 The invention discloses a method which is very flexible in comparison with the known methods and arrangements, and a very flexible arrangement for determining a graphic structure which can be adapted to new application scenarios in a quick and uncomplicated way, and can be adapted more satisfactorily to existing 25 application scenarios.

In this way, different types of structures which can be represented as a graph can be processed flexibly, cost-effectively and easily with a method or with an arrangement.

30 Preferred developments of the invention emerge from the dependent claims.

The technical system is preferably an electronic circuit or a piece of technical equipment.

The elements are preferably graph elements of a graph which describe the technical system.

In a further refinement there is provision for the graphic structure of the technical system which is 5 determined to be checked for predefined structure rules. In this way, it is possible to check a structure of the technical system determined by a user for predefined structure rules, which ensures that the structure rules for the respective technical system are 10 complied with in terms of its graphic structure.

Such a structure rule is, for example, in a Petri net, the fact that a place must always follow a transition, and vice versa. If this is not the case, within the scope of this development the disclosure is 15 made during checking of the graphic structure of a Petri net that the corresponding structure rule is infringed.

An exemplary embodiment of the invention is 20 illustrated in the figures and explained in more detail below. In said figures:

Figure 1 shows an outline of an arrangement according to a first exemplary embodiment;

Figure 2 shows an outline of a representation component with a graphic structure with elements of a 25 Petri net;

Figure 3 shows an outline of a representation component with a graphic structure with elements which describe an electronic circuit;

Figure 4 shows a flowchart in which the method steps of the method according to an exemplary embodiment are represented;

5 Figure 5 shows a set of a plurality of arrangements which, according to a second exemplary embodiment, are coupled to one another by means of a communications network.

10 Fig. 1 shows an arrangement 100 with a set 101 of a plurality of different graphic structure files 102, 103, 104, 105. Each graphic structure file 102, 103, 104, 105 is embodied as a file which can be linked dynamically (dynamic link library).

15 A user 106 selects a graphic structure file 102, 103, 104, 105 using a selection component 108 (keyboard and/or computer mouse) which is connected to an editor program 107.

20 The selected graphic structure file, in this exemplary embodiment a first graphic structure file 103, is dynamically integrated into the editor program 107.

25 After integration into the editor program 107, a set 111 of selectable elements 112, 113, 114, which are defined in the first graphic structure file 103 as selectable elements for determining a further described graph is displayed to the user 106 on a screen 110 by means of a representation component 109 which is connected to the editor program 107. In addition, in this exemplary embodiment, according to the first graphic structure file 103 a first check program 115 and a second check program 116 are integrated into the editor program 107 and made available to the user 106 for selection.

30 Each graphic structure file 102, 103, 104, 105 has, in each case, a set of selectable elements for the respective type of graphs, in each case a graphic structure file being

provided for one type of graph. In addition, each graphic structure file 102, 103, 104, 105 may respectively contain a specific check program which is integrated into the respective graphic structure file 5 102, 103, 104, 105.

After the first graphic structure file 103 has been integrated, elements of the graph are selected by the user 106 and connected to one another so that a graph is determined which is stored in the form of a 10 predefined intermediate language 117 in a memory 118.

In addition, it is symbolically represented in Fig. 1 that the user 106 stores a plurality of structures 119, 120, 121, 122, 123 for describing different graphs, said structures relating to the type 15 of graph predefined by the first graphic file 103.

The first graphic structure file 103 makes available elements which make possible a graph in the form of a Petri net 201 (see Fig. 2).

Fig. 2 shows the representation component 200 20 which is presented to the user 106 in the form of a screen surface.

The screen surface 200 has a menu list 202 with different selectable options ("File", "Edit", "Object", "View", "Tools", "Settings", "Help").

25 Menu items are made available to the user by means of individual selectable elements using an immediate access bar 203 by making a single, direct selection of an element.

In addition, a processing bar 204 is 30 represented with selectable options for determining the graph. Thus, in the first graphic structure file 103, a first selection element 205 is provided with which it is possible to select and process objects represented on the screen.

The selection and processing of specific elements for a Petri net 201 is made available to the user 106 by means of a set 206 of further selector elements which will be explained in more detail below.

5 A second selector element 207 is described by means of an empty rectangle and symbolizes a time-specific transition.

10 A third selector element 208 symbolizes a timeless transition, which is represented as a selected transition element 220, 221 and 222 in the Petri net 201.

A fourth selector element 209 symbolizes an edge which is a directed edge in this exemplary embodiment.

15 A fifth selector element 210 symbolizes a forbidden edge which is designated in accordance with the structure rules of a Petri net 201.

20 A sixth selector element 211 symbolizes a place, in each case a place element 223, 224, 225, 226 being represented in the Petri net 201. The place elements 223, 224, 225 and 226 are connected to the transition elements 220, 221, 222 via edges 227, 228, 229, 230, 231 and 232.

25 A seventh selector element 212 symbolizes the possibility of combining a plurality of elements of the Petri net to form a composite element.

An eighth selector element 213 symbolizes an input of the Petri net 201 and a ninth selector element 214 symbolizes an output of a Petri net 201.

30 The edges and the individual nodes, that is to say the elements of the Petri net 201, are assigned textual information 251, 252, 253, 254, 255, 256, 257, 258, 259, 260 and 261.

In this way it is possible to assign an additional textual description to the individual elements.

5 If a second graphic structure file 104 is integrated into the editor program 107, the second graphic structure file 104 making available elements of an electronic circuit, and thus a graph of an electronic circuit, a screen mask represented in Fig. 3 with a set of selector elements set up for the circuit simulation is produced.

10 The same designations are used in Fig. 3 for the same elements displayed on the screen as represented in Fig. 2.

15 A set 301 of selector elements which are specifically for describing a graph of an electronic circuit contain

• a tenth selector element 302 which symbolizes an electronic resistor,

• an eleventh selector element 303 which symbolizes an electronic capacitor,

20 • a twelfth selector element 304 which symbolizes an inductor,

• a thirteenth selector element 305 symbolizing a transistor,

25 • a fourteenth selector element 306 symbolizing an operational amplifier,

• a fifteenth selector element 307 symbolizing a non-directed edge, and

• a sixteenth selector element 308 symbolizing a power source.

30 An electronic circuit 110 is determined by the user 106 and has, in this exemplary embodiment, a power source 311, electronic resistors 312, 313, electronic capacitors 314 and 315 and an operational amplifier 316

which are each connected to one another by means of edges 317. In addition, a ground terminal 318 is illustrated in Fig. 3. The individual circuit elements are assigned textual information 319, 320, 321, 322, 5 323, 324, 325, 326 for further explaining the electronic circuit 310.

Fig. 4 shows the method in its method steps in order to clarify the method.

10 In a first step (step 401) a graphic structure file 102, 103, 104, 105 is selected from a set 101 of graphic structure files 102, 103, 104, 105.

15 In a second step (step 402), a selection is made of elements which are available in accordance with the graphic structure file 102, 103, 104, 105 which was selected in the previous step (step 401).

The selected elements are illustrated by the editor program 107 in a further step (step 403).

20 Fig. 5 shows a first computer 500 with a memory 502 and a processor 503 which are each connected to one another by means of a bus 504 and to an input/output interface 501.

25 The first computer 500 is connected to a screen 505, a keyboard 506 and a computer mouse 507 by means of the input/output interface 501.

In addition, the first computer 500 is connected to further computers 510, 520, 530, 540 and 550 via a communications network 560, in the exemplary embodiment an ISDN network (Integrated Services Digital Network).

30 The set 101 of graphic structure files 102, 103, 104, 105 is stored in the first computer 500.

The further computers 510, 520, 530, 540 and 550 each also have a processor 513, 523, 533, 543 and 553 and each have a memory 512, 522, 532, 542 and 552. In each case the processor 513, 523, 533, 543 and 553 and the memory 512, 522, 532, 542 and 552 are connected to the communications network via, in each case, a bus 514, 524, 534, 544 and 554 via an input/output interface 511, 521, 531, 541 and 551. In addition, the further computers 510, 520, 530, 540 and 550 are each connected to a screen 515, 525, 535, 545 and 555, to a keyboard 516, 526, 536, 546 and 556 and to a computer mouse 517, 527, 537, 547 and 557.

An editor program 508, 518, 528, 538, 548, 558 is stored in each computer 500, 510, 520, 530, 540 and 550. A graphic structure file 102, 103, 104, 105 is selected by a user of a further computer 510, 520, 530, 540 and 550, and requested from the first computer 500 with a request message 570. The first computer 500 transmits the selected graphic structure file 102, 103, 20 104, 105 in a reply message 580 to the further computer 510, 520, 530, 540 and 550 requesting the graphic structure file 102, 103, 104, 105.

The requesting further computer 510, 520, 530, 540 and 550 has thus received the requested graphic structure file 102, 103, 104, 105, and it integrates it into its editor program 518, 528, 538, 548, 558, as described in the first exemplary embodiment.

A number of alternatives to the exemplary embodiments described above are illustrated below:

30 The type of elements which are made available by a graphic structure file is generally freely selectable and

depends only on the respective type of graph to be determined.

The technical system can, for example, also be a piece of technical equipment whose characteristics or 5 structure can be described by the graph.

The editor program and the graph illustrated with the editor program can be used as part of a simulation of the technical system.

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A way of implementing the exemplary described above is given below, written in the programming language C, the implementation being divided into three files:

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### 1. Initialization file:

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package interfaces;

import java.io.*;
import java.util.*;
import java.awt.*;

import etc.*;
import elements.*;
import mm.*;
import tools.*;

public class Initialisierung {
    GraphEditor editor;
    // Der hat die Tokens aus der
    Datei
    StreamTokenizer token;
    // Hier kommen alle erlaubten
    Knoten und Kanten aus der
    // .lgc Datei rein.
    // Die Einträge werden mit den
    Namen der Objekte referenziert
    Hashtable objekte;
    // Die aktuelle .lgc Datei
    // String configfile;
    // steht jetzt bei den Einstel-
    lungen
    /**
     * Hier stehen alle Attribute
    drin.
    */
    Hashtable attributNamen;
    /**
     * hier kommen die Einträge für
    das Menue Tools
     * hinein.
    */
    Hashtable tools;

    public Initialisie-
    rung(GraphEditor editor) {
        this.editor = editor;
        objekte = new Hashtable();
        attributNamen = new Has-
        table();
        tools = new Hashtable();
    }

    /**
     * Diese Methode würde die er-
     ste Initialisierungsdatei

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        * einlesen für die Einstellu-
        gen der Farben, Schriften...
        * Aber ich darf leider nicht.
        */
    /*
        public void readFirst(String
name) {
            String configfile = new
String(name);
            int c;
            //Properties properties = new
Properties();
            //properties = Sy-
            stem.getProperties();
            //filename = new String("...
            + proper-
            ties.getProperty("file.separator"
            ) + configfile);
            try {
                File file = new
File(configfile);
                //FileInputStream in = new
FileInputStream(file);
                FileReader in = new File-
Reader(file);
                token = new StreamTokeni-
                zer(in);

                //Einstellen der Optionen
                for token
                to-
                ken.eolIsSignificant(true);
                token.quoteChar('"');
                //token.quoteChar('\\');
                //token.quoteChar('{');
                token.quoteChar('\'');

                //Überlese { und , und ;
                to-
                ken.whitespaceChars('{','}');
                to-
                ken.whitespaceChars(',',';');
                to-
                ken.whitespaceChars(';',';');

                boolean fertig = false;
                while (!fertig) {
                    switch
(c=token.nextToken()){


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        case StreamTokeni-
zer.TT_EOF:
            fertig= true;
            break;
        case StreamTokeni-
zer.TT_WORD:
            if
(token.sval.equals("DATAPATH")) {
c=token.nextToken();
            if (c == '') {
System.out.println("DATAPATH " +
token.sval);
            }
            break;
        }
        if
(token.sval.equals("DATAFILTER"))
{
c=token.nextToken();
            if (c == '') {
System.out.println("DATAFILTER " +
token.sval);
            }
            break;
        }
        if
(token.sval.equals("FILELIST")) {
            while (c != '}')
{
c=token.nextToken();
            if (c ==
'') {
editor.getMenueleiste().addFileToMen
u(token.sval);
            }
            break;
        }
        if
(token.sval.equals("COLORS")) {
            while (c != '}')
{
c=token.nextToken();
            if (c == StreamTokenizer.TT_WORD) {
String aus-
wahl = token.sval;
            }
            break;
        }
        if
(token.sval.equals("SIZE")) {
//System.out.print("Wert1 " + to-
ken.nval);
            int r =
(int)token.nval;
c=token.nextToken();
//System.out.print("Wert2 " + to-
ken.nval);
            int g =
(int)token.nval;
c=token.nextToken();
//System.out.print("Wert3 " + to-
ken.nval);
            int b =
(int)token.nval;
//System.out.flush();
ueberge-
be(auswahl,r,g,b);
            }
            break;
        }
        if
(token.sval.equals("FONTS")) {
            while (c != '}')
{
c=token.nextToken();
            if (c == StreamTokenizer.TT_WORD) {
String aus-
wahl = token.sval;
//System.out.print(" FONT " + to-
ken.sval);
c=token.nextToken();
String font-
name = token.sval;
//System.out.print(" NAME " + to-
ken.sval);
c=token.nextToken();
String style
= token.sval;
//System.out.print(" STYLE " +
token.sval);
c=token.nextToken();
int size
=(int) token.nval;
ueberge-
be(auswahl,fontname,style,size);
//System.out.println(" SIZE " +
token.nval);
            }
            break;
        }
}

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        if
        (token.sval.equals("SHORTCUTS"))
        {
            while (c != ' ')
            {
                c=token.nextToken();
                if (c == '"')
                {
                    String mpunkt = token.sval;
                    //System.out.print("MENUPUNKT " +
                    token.sval);
                    c=token.nextToken();
                    String icon1
                    = token.sval;
                    //System.out.print("ICON1 " + to-
                    ken.sval);
                    c=token.nextToken();
                    String icon2
                    = token.sval;
                    //System.out.println("ICON2 " +
                    token.sval);
                    editor.getShortcutleiste().addShortB-
                    utton();
                }
                }
                break;
            }
            if
            (token.sval.equals("ACCELERATOR"))
            {
                while (c != ' ')
                {
                    c=token.nextToken();
                    if (c == '"')
                    {
                        String label = token.sval;
                        //System.out.print("MENUPUNKT " +
                        token.sval);
                        c=token.nextToken();
                        if (c == StreamTokenizer.TT_WORD)
                        {
                            char cut =
                            token.sval.charAt(0);
                            //System.out.println(" TASTEN " +
                            cut);
                            editor.getMenueleiste().addShortcutT-
                            oVector(label, cut);
                        }
                    }
                }
            }
        }
        if
        (token.sval.equals("WINDOWSIZE"))
        {
            c=token.nextToken();
            int x
            =(int)token.nval;
            c=token.nextToken();
            c=token.nextToken();
            int y
            =(int)token.nval;
            //size.setSize(x,y);
            }
            break;
        }
        if
        (token.sval.equals("WINDOWPOSITIO-
        N"))
        {
            c=token.nextToken();
            int x
            =(int)token.nval;
            c=token.nextToken();
            c=token.nextToken();
            int y
            =(int)token.nval;
            //location.setSize(x,y);
            }
            break;
        }
        if
        (token.sval.equals("AUTHOR"))
        {
            c=token.nextToken();
            if (c == '"')
            {
                System.out.println("AUTHOR " + to-
                ken.sval);
            }
            }
            break;
        }
        if
        (token.sval.equals("TOOLS"))
        {
            while (c != ' ')
            {
                c=token.nextToken();
                if (c == '"')
                {
                    String pfad
                    =new String(token.sval);
                    //System.out.println("TOOL " +
                    token.sval);
                }
            }
        }
    }
}

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c=token.nextToken();
        String fi-
leName =new String(token.sval);
//System.out.println("TOOL " +
token.sval);
c=token.nextToken();
        String text
=new String(token.sval);
//System.out.println("TOOL " +
token.sval);
        edi-
tor.getMenueleiste().addToolToVec-
tor(pfad,fileName, text);
        }
        break;
    } else
        break;
    default:
        }
    }

in.close();
System.out.flush();
System.out.println("EINLESEN
DER DATEI "+configFile+" "
FERTIG!");
}

} catch
(FileNotFoundException e) {
    System.err.println( config-
File + " is not found");
} catch (IOException e) {
    e.printStackTrace();
}
//read first
/*
 * Diese Methode liest eine
Toolbar ein.
 * Sie benötigt den Pfad zur
Datei und den Dateinamen.
 */
public void readsecond(String
lgcPath, String datei) {
    String configfile = new
String(lgcPath + datei);
    int c;
    try {
        File file = new
File(configfile);
        FileReader reader = new File-
Reader(file);
        token = new StreamTokeni-
zer(reader);
        }
        //Einstellen der Optionen
        für token
        to-
ken.eolIsSignificant(false);
        token.quoteChar('\'');
        //token.quoteChar('\\');
        //token.quoteChar('!');
        token.quoteChar('\'');

        //Überlese ( und , und ;
        to-
ken.whitespaceChars('{','}');
        to-
ken.whitespaceChars(' ',',');
        to-
ken.whitespaceChars(';',',');

        boolean fertig = false;
        while (!fertig) {
            switch
(c=token.nextToken()){
            case StreamTokeni-
zer.TT_EOF:
                fertig= true;
                break;
            case StreamTokeni-
zer.TT_WORD:
                if
(token.sval.equals("TOOLBAR")) {
                    Sy-
stem.out.println("Lese Toolbar");
                    readTool-
bar(lgcPath);
                    break;
                }
                if
(token.sval.equals("MENU")) {
                    Sy-
stem.out.println("Lese Menue");
                    readMenu();
                    break;
                }
                if
(token.sval.equals("ANALYSISBAR"))
                {
                    Sy-
stem.out.println("Lese Analyse-
Bar");
                    readAnalyse();
                    break;
                }
                if
(token.sval.equals("SHORTCUTS"))
                {
                    Sy-
stem.out.println("Lese Short-
cuts");
                    readShorts();
                    break;
                }
            }
        }
    }
}

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        }
        if
        (token.sval.equals("ACCELERATOR"))
        {
            Sy-
            stem.out.println("Lese Acceler-
            ator");
            readAccel();
            break;
        }
        default:
    }

    in.close();
    System.out.flush();
    System.out.println("EINLESEN
DER DATEI " +configFile + "
FERTIG!");
    //und wichtig für die Anzel-
ge:
    setLayer();
    setAttributNames();
} catch
(FileNotFoundException e) {
    System.err.println(configFile + " is not found");
} catch (IOException e) {
    e.printStackTrace();
}

private void readToolbar(String
lgcPath) {
    int c='(';
    gobjekte.clear();
    //System.out.println("Jetzt
kommt die Toolbar");
    try {
        while (c != ')') {
            switch
(c=token.nextToken()){
                case StreamTokeni-
zer.TT_WORD:
                    if
(token.sval.equals("NODE")) {
//System.out.println("Lese Kno-
ten");
                    readNode(lgcPath);
                    break;
                }
                if
(token.sval.equals("EDGE")) {
//System.out.println("Lese Kan-
te");
                    readEdge(lgcPath);
                    break;
                }
                default:
            }
        }
    }
    //c=token.nextToken();
    //System.out.println("IN
der TOOLBAR " +c);
} catch (IOException e) {
    e.printStackTrace();
}
//System.out.println("Fertig
Toolbar");
}

private void readNode(String
lgcPath) {
    int c='(';
    String typename = new
String();
    String image = new String();
    Vector ecken = new Vector();
    Vector konnektoren = new Vec-
tor();
    Vector konnektorNamen = new
Vector();
    Attribute attribute = new
StandardAttribute();
    Color color = new Co-
lor(255,255,255);
//System.out.println("Ein
Knoten");
    try {
        while (c != ')') {
            switch (c){
                case StreamTokeni-
zer.TT_WORD:
                    // Wird nicht mehr be-
notigt
                    // if
(token.sval.equals("TYPE")) {
//c=token.nextToken();
                    // Sy-
stem.out.println("Lese TYPE" +
token.sval);
                    // break;
                }
                if
(token.sval.equals("NAME")) {
c=token.nextToken();
                    typename = new
String(token.sval);
                    // Sy-
stem.out.println("Lese NAME" +
typename);
                    break;
                }
                if
(token.sval.equals("ATTRIBUTES")){
                    attribute = new
StandardAttribute();
                }
            }
        }
    }
}

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        while
        ((c=token.nextToken()) != ')') {
            String aname =
            new String(token.sval);
            c = to-
            ken.nextToken();
            String wert = new
            String(token.sval);
            attribu-
            te.addAttribute(ename,wert,true);
            attributNa-
            men.put(ename,ename);
            // Sy-
            stem.out.println("Lese Attribut-
            te" + attribute);
            }

            break;
        }
        if
        (token.sval.equals("IMAGE")) {
            c=token.nextToken();
            image = new
            String(token.sval);
            // Sy-
            stem.out.println("Lese IMAGE" +
            image);
            break;
        }
        if
        (token.sval.equals("FILLEDPOLYGON
        ")) {
            ek-
            ken.removeAllElements();
            int x,y;
            while
            ((c=token.nextToken()) != ')') {
                x =
                (int)token.nval;
                c=token.nextToken();
                y =
                (int)token.nval;
                ek-
                ken.addElement(new Point(x,y));
                // Sy-
                stem.out.println("Lese POLYGON" +
                ecken);
                }
                // jetzt sollten
                alle Daten da sein, und es
                // kann ein Knoten-
                prototyp erzeugt werden.
                Graphobjekt knoten =
                new FilledPolygonKnoten(typname,
                ecken,
                konnektoren,
                konnektorNamen,
                konnektorNamen,
                attribute);
                kno-
                ten.setColor(color);
                // Sy-
                stem.out.println("Setze Farbe " +
                color);
                // Erzeuge Button
                mit Werkzeug für Werkzeugleiste
                ToolButton b = new
                ToolButton(lgcPath + "images/" +
                image,
                typename,
                new KnotenTool(editor,typename),
                editor.getToolbar());
                edi-
                tor.getToolbar().addToolBarButton(b);
                // Eintrag in die
                Hashtabelle
                gobjek-
                te.put(typname,knoten);
                // Sy-
                stem.out.println("In Hashtabelle:
                " + gobjekte);
                break;
            }
            if
            (token.sval.equals("POLYGON")) {
                ek-
                ken.removeAllElements();
                int x,y;
                while
                ((c=token.nextToken()) != ')') {
                    x =
                    (int)token.nval;
                    c=token.nextToken();
                    y =
                    (int)token.nval;
                    ek-
                    ken.addElement(new Point(x,y));
                    // Sy-
                    stem.out.println("Lese POLYGON" +
                    ecken);
                    }
                    // jetzt sollten
                    alle Daten da sein, und es
                    // kann ein Knoten-
                    prototyp erzeugt werden.
                    Graphobjekt knoten =
                    new PolygonKnoten(typname,
                    ecken,
                    konnektoren,
                    konnektorNamen,
                    konnektorNamen,
                    )
                }
            }
        }
    }
}

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attribute);
        kno-
ten.setColor(color);
        // Sy-
stem.out.println("Setze Farbe " +
color);
        // Erzeuge Button
mit Werzeug für Werkzeugleiste
        // Der Button greift
über den typnamen auf den richti-
gen
        // Knoten zu.
        ToolButton b = new
ToolButton(lgcPath + "images/" +
image,
typname,
new KnotenTool(editor,typname),
editor.getToolbar());
        edi-
tor.getToolbar().addToolBarButton(b)
;
        // Eintrag in die
Hashtabelle
        gobjek-
te.put(typname,knoten);
//System.out.println("In Hashta-
belle: " + gobjekte);

        break;
    }
    if
(token.sval.equals("FILLEDOVAL"))
{
        int breite=10;
        int hoehe=10;
        while
((c=token.nextToken()) != ')') {
            breite =
(int)token.nval;
            c=token.nextToken();
            hoehe =
(int)token.nval;
            // Sy-
stem.out.println("Lese OVAL_FILL"
+ token.nval);
        }
        // jetzt sollten
alle Daten da sein, und es
        // kann ein Knoten-
prototyp erzeugt werden.
        GraphObjekt knoten
= new FilledOvalKnoten(typname,
hoehe,
breite,
konnektoren,
konnektorNamen,
attribute);
        kno-
ten.setColor(color);
        // Sy-
stem.out.println("Setze Farbe " +
color);
        // Erzeuge Button
mit Werzeug für Werkzeugleiste
        ToolButton b = new
ToolButton(lgcPath + "images/" +
image,
typname,
new KnotenTool(editor,typname),
editor.getToolbar());
        edi-
tor.getToolbar().addToolBarButton(b)
;
        // Eintrag in die
Hashtabelle
        gobjek-
te.put(typname,knoten);
//System.out.println("In Hashta-
belle: " + gobjekte);

        break;
    }
    if
(token.sval.equals("OVAL")) {
        int breite=10;
        int hoehe=10;
        while
((c=token.nextToken()) != ')') {
            breite =
(int)token.nval;
            c=token.nextToken();
            hoehe =
(int)token.nval;
            // Sy-
stem.out.println("Lese OVAL" +
token.nval);
        }
        // jetzt sollten
alle Daten da sein, und es
        // kann ein Knoten-
prototyp erzeugt werden.
        GraphObjekt knoten
= new OvalKnoten( typname,
hoehe,
breite,

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konnektoren,
konnektorNamen,
attribute);
kno-
ten.setColor(color);
// Sy-
stem.out.println("Setze Farbe " +
color);
// Erzeuge Button
mit Werkzeug für Werkzeugeiste
ToolBar b = new
ToolBar(lgcPath + "images/" +
image,
typename,
new KnotenTool(editor,typename),
editor.getToolbar());
edi-
tor.getToolbar().addToolBarButton(b)
;
// Eintrag in die
Hashtabelle
gobjek-
te.put(typename,knoten);
//System.out.println("In Hashta-
belle: " + gobjekte);
break;
}
if
(token.sval.equals("CONNECTORS"))
{
konnektoren.removeAllElements();
int x,y;
String name;
while
((c=token.nextToken()) != ')') {
x =
(int)token.nval;
c=token.nextToken();
y =
(int)token.nval;
c=token.nextToken();
name = to-
ken.sval;
konnektoren-
ren.addElement(new Point(x,y));
konnektorNa-
men.addElement(name);
// Sy-
stem.out.println("Lese Konnektoren" +
konnektoren);
// Sy-
stem.out.println("Die Namen: " +
konnektorNamen);
}
break;
}
if
(token.sval.equals("COLOR")) {
c=token.nextToken();
//System.out.println("Lese COLOR"
+ token.nval);
int r =
(int)token.nval;
c=token.nextToken();
//System.out.println("Lese COLOR"
+ token.nval);
int g =
(int)token.nval;
c=token.nextToken();
//System.out.println("Lese COLOR"
+ token.nval);
int b =
(int)token.nval;
color = new Co-
lor(r,g,b);
break;
}
default:
//switch
c=token.nextToken();
// Sy-
stem.out.println("NAECHSTES
TOKEN" + token.sval);
//while
//c=token.nextToken();
} catch (IOException e) {
e.printStackTrace();
}
// System.out.println("Bende
readNode");
//readNode

private void readEdge(String
lgcPath) {
// System.out.println("Eine
Kante");
int c ='(';
String typename = new
String();
String image = new String();
Attribute attribute = new
StandardAttribute();

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Color color = new Co-
lor(255,255,255);
try {
    while (c != ')') {
        switch (c){
            case StreamTokeni-
zer.TT_WORD:
                if
(token.sval.equals("NAME")) {
                    c=token.nextToken();
                    typename = new
String(token.sval);
                    // Sy-
stem.out.println("Lese NAME" +
typename);
                    break;
                }
                if
(token.sval.equals("ATTRIBUTES"))
                {
                    attribute = new
StandardAttribute();
                    while
((c=token.nextToken()) != ')') {
                        String aname =
new String(token.sval);
                        c = to-
ken.nextToken();
                        String wert = new
String(token.sval);
                        attribu-
te.addAttribute(ename,wert,true);
                        attribu-
men.put(ename,ename);
                        // Sy-
stem.out.println("Lese Attribut-
te" + attribute);
                    }
                    break;
                }
                if
(token.sval.equals("IMAGE")) {
                    c=token.nextToken();
                    image = new
String(token.sval);
                    // Sy-
stem.out.println("Lese IMAGE" +
image);
                    break;
                }
                if
(token.sval.equals("ARROW")) {
                    int radius = 10;
                    int winkel = 10;
                    while
((c=token.nextToken()) != ')') {
                        radius =
(int)token.nval;
                        winkel =
token.nextToken();
                        int nval;
                        // Sy-
stem.out.println("Lese Arrow" +
radius + winkel);
                    }
                    // jetzt sollten
                    alle Daten da sein, und es
                    // kann ein Kanten-
                    prototyp erzeugt werden.
                    GraphObjekt kante =
new PfeilKante(typname,
                    radius,
                    winkel,
                    attribute);
                    kant-
e.setColor(color);
                    // Sy-
stem.out.println("Setze Farbe " +
color);
                    // Erzeuge Button
                    mit Werzeug fur Werkzeugleiste
                    ToolButton b = new
ToolButton(lgcPath + "images/" +
image,
                    typename,
                    new KantenTool(editor,typename),
                    editor.getToolbar());
                    edi-
tor.getToolbar().addToolBarButton(b);
                    // Eintrag in die
                    Hashtabelle
                    gobjek-
te.put(typname,kante);
                    //System.out.println("In Hashta-
belle: " + gobjekte);
                    break;
                }
                if
(token.sval.equals("POINT")) {
                    int durch = 10;
                    while
((c=token.nextToken()) != ')') {
                        durch =
(int)token.nval;
                        // Sy-
stem.out.println("Lese Point" +
durch);
                    }
                    // jetzt sollten
                    alle Daten da sein, und es

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        break;
    }
    default:
        //switch
        c=token.nextToken();
        // Sy-
stem.out.println("NAECHSTES
TOKEN" + token.sval);
        //while
        //c=token.nextToken();
        // catch (IOException e) {
        //   e.printStackTrace();
        //}
        // System.out.println("Bende
readEdge");

    }//readEdge

    private void readMenu() {
        tools.clear();
        int c = '!';
        try {
            while
((c=token.nextToken()) != '!') {
                //c=token.nextToken();
                String namen = to
ken.sval;
                System.out.println("Jetzt
kommt das Menu"+ namen);
                c = token.nextToken();
                String aufruf = to
ken.sval;
                System.out.println("Jetzt
kommt das Menu"+ aufruf);
                tools.put(new
String(namen), new
String(aufruf));
            }
        } catch (IOException e) {
            e.printStackTrace();
        }
    }

    private void readAnalyse() {
        System.out.println("Jetzt
kommt die Analyse");
    }

    private void readShorts() {
        System.out.println("Jetzt
kommt die Shortcut");
    }

    private void readAccel() {
        System.out.println("Jetzt
kommen die Accelerators");
    }
}

// private void uebergebe
// (String mpunkt, String
icon1, String icon2) {
//   public void addBut
ton(String menuePunkt, String
image1, String image2)

private void uebergebe(String
auswahl, String name, String style,
int size) {
    int styleInt = 0;
    switch (style.charAt(0)){
        case 'B':
            styleInt = Font.BOLD;
            break;
        case 'P':
            styleInt = Font.PLAIN;
            break;
        case 'I':
            styleInt = Font.ITALIC;
            break;
        default:
            styleInt = Font.PLAIN;
    }
    Font font = new Font(name,
styleInt, size);
    switch (auswahl.charAt(0)){
        case 'M':
            edi
tor.getMenueleiste().setFont(font
);
            break;
        case 'P':
            //noch zu Implementieren
            break;
        case 'S':
            edi
tor.getStatusleiste().setFont(fon
t);
            break;
    }
}

private void uebergebe(String
auswahl, int r, int g, int b) {
    if (auswahl.equals("PAPER")){
        edi
tor.getZeichenflaeche().setBackgr
ound(new Color(r,g,b));
    }
    if (auswahl.equals("GRID")){
        //noch zu implementieren
    }
    if
(auswahl.equals("MENUBGC")){
        // edi
tor.getMenueleiste().setBackgroun
d(new Color(r,g,b));
    }
    if
(auswahl.equals("MENUPGC")){

```

```

    // menubar.setForeground(new
    Color(r,g,b));
    }
    if
    (auswahl.equals("STATUSBGC")){
        edi-
        tor.getStatusleiste().setBackground
        nd(new Color(r,g,b));
    }
    if
    (auswahl.equals("STATUSFGC")){
        edi-
        tor.getStatusleiste().setForegrou
        nd(new Color(r,g,b));
    }
    if
    (auswahl.equals("TOOLBGC")){
        edi-
        tor.getToolbar().setBackground(ne
        w Color(r,g,b));
    }
    if
    (auswahl.equals("TOOLFGC")){
        edi-
        tor.getToolbar().setForeground
        (new Color(r,g,b));
    }
    if
    (auswahl.equals("SHORTCUTBGC")){
        edi-
        tor.getShortcutleiste().setBackground
        (new Color(r,g,b));
    }
    if
    (auswahl.equals("SHORTCUTFGC")){
        edi-
        tor.getShortcutleiste().setForegr
        ound (new Color(r,g,b));
    }
}

/***
 * Liefert eine Kopie eines
GraphObjektes
 * zurück.
 */
public GraphObjekt getOb
jekt(String name) {
    if
    (gobjekte.containsKey(name)) {
        GraphObjekt vater =
        (GraphObjekt)gobjekte.get(name);
        return
        (GraphObjekt)vater.copy();
    } else {
        return null;
    }
}

/***
 * Diese Methode fügt alle an
zeigbaren ObjekteTypen in die

```

+ Hashtable der Klasse Gra  
phObjekt ein,  
\* -> alle Objekte werden ange  
zeigt.

\*/
 public void setLayer() {
 Hashtable alle = new Has  
htable(gobjekte.size(),1.0f);
 Enumeration e = gobjek  
te.keys();
 while (e.hasMoreElements())
 {
 String key =
 (String)e.nextElement();
 alle.put(key,new
 String(key));
 }
 GraphObjekt.toShow = alle;
 }

 /\*\*
 \* Liefert alle anzeigenbaren
Layers zurück.
 \*/
 public Enumeration getLayers()
 {
 return gobjekte.keys();
 }

 /\*\*
 \* Liefert die maximale Anzahl
der Layers zurück.
 \*/
 public int countLayers() {
 return gobjekte.size();
 }

 /\*\*
 \* Diese Methode fügt alle an
zeigbaren AttributNamenn in die
 \* Hashtable der Klasse Attri
bute ein,
 \* -> alle Attribute werden an
gezeigt.
 \*/
 public void setAttributNames()
 {
 Hashtable alle = new Has
table(attributNamens.size(),1.0f);
 Enumeration e = attributNa
mens.keys();
 while (e.hasMoreElements())
 {
 String key =
 (String)e.nextElement();
 alle.put(key,new
 String(key));
 }
 Attribute.toShow = alle;
 }
}

```

    /**
     * Liefert alle anzeigbaren
     * Attributnamen zuruck.
     */
    public Enumeration getAttrib-
    butNames() {
        return attributNamen.keys();
    }

    /**
     * Liefert die maximale Anzahl
     * der Attribute zuruck.
     */
    public int countAttributNa-
    mes() {
        return attributNamen.size();
    }

    /**
     * Fügt einen Attribut namen
     * in die

```

2."load" file

```

package commands;

import etc.*;
import java.util.*;
import java.awt.*;
import java.io.*;
import interfaces.*;

/**
 * Ladt einen Graphen aus einer
 * .lgf Datei.
 */
public class Load extends Befehl
{
    Vector undo;

    public Load(GraphEditor edi-
    tor) {
        super(editor);
        undo=new Vector();
        help =
"<filename.lgf/.lgc/.lgt>";
    }

    public void ausfuehren(String[]
param) {
    //System.out.println(param);
    int anzahl = param.length;
    switch (anzahl) {
        case 0 : // bei keinem Ar-
        gument tun wir nichts.
                break;
        case 1 : // bei einen Ar-
        gument wird erst nachgeschaut!

```

```

        * Hashtabel ein.
        */
        public void addAttributName (
String name) {
            attributNamen.put(new
String(name), new String(name));
        }

        /**
         */
        public Hashtable getTools() {
            return tools;
        }

        // public String getConfigFile()
        {
            // return configFile;
        }
    }

```

```

        if
            (param[0].endsWith(".lgc") ||

            param[0].endsWith(".lgf") ||

            param[0].endsWith(".lgt")) {
                // wir wurden
                von der CommandoZeile aufgerufen
                File file = new
                File(param[0]);
                //System.out.println("Der Pfad :
                " + file.getParent());
                //System.out.println("Der Name :
                " + file.getName());
                prue-
                fe(file.getParent() + "/", file.getN
                ame());
                } else {
                    //nothing
                }
                break;
            default : //zuviel Parame-
            ter
                break;
            } //switch
        }

        public void ausfuehren(String
param) {
    edi-
    tor.getStatusleiste().show("Load.
    .");
    ((Component)editor).setCursor(Cur

```



```

    // redo

    /**
     * Diese Klasse wird leider
     * nicht an
     * die Windows bzw Solaris Kom-
     * ponente
     * weitergesieht.
     */
    class lgfFilter implements Fi-
    lenameFilter {
        public boolean accept (File
        dir, String name) {
            return (na-
            me.endsWith(".lgf") ||

                           na-
            me.endsWith(".lgc") ||

                           na-
            me.endsWith(".lgt") );
        }
    }

    * Diese Methode ueberpruft, ob
    die richtige
    * Konfigurationsdatei geladen
    ist, ansonsten wird
    * versucht die richtige zu la-
    den.(>>Editor zuruecksetzen)
    * Dannach wird die gewunschte
    .lgt oder .lgf Datei
    * geladen.
    *
    private void pruefe (String
    pfad, String datei) {
        Einstellungen settings= edi-
        tor.getEinstellungen();
        if (datei.endsWith(".lgc")) {
            //System.out.println("eine
            lgc Datei");
            File f = new File(pfad +
            datei);
            if (f.exists()) {
                settings.appName = Ein-
                stellungen.format(datei);
                settings.fileName= " ";
                settings.frameName = set-
                tings.fileName+ " "
                +settings.appName + " "
                +settings.copyright;
                settings.configFile = new
                String(datei);
                settings.lgcPath = new
                String(pfad);
                //wir Starten den Editor
                neu
                    editor.start();
                } else {
                    System.err.println("File
                    not found : " + settings.lgcPath +
                    datei);
                }
            }
        } else if
        (datei.endsWith(".lgf")) {
            //System.out.println("eine
            lgf Datei");
            File f = new File(pfad +
            datei);
            if (f.exists()) {
                settings.fileName = da-
            tei;
                // wir holen uns noch den
                namen des .lgc Files:
                String config = edi-
                tor.getDateischnittstelle().getCo-
                nfig(pfad + datei);
                //System.out.println("Der
                neue Name der Lgc datei " + con-
                fig);
                f = new
                File(settings.lgcPath + config);
                if (f.exists()) {
                    // ist diese lgc Datei
                    schon geladen?
                    if
                    (settings.configFile.equals(config)) {
                        //wir muessen nur die
                        lgf Datei laden
                        edi-
                        tor.getDateischnittstelle().load(
                        pfad,datei,editor.getGraph());
                        settings.frameName =
                        settings.fileName+ " "
                        +settings.appName + " "
                        +settings.copyright;
                        ((Frame)editor). set-
                        Title(settings.frameName);
                        } else {
                            // wir mussen auch
                            die Konnfigurationsdatei laden
                            settings.appName =
                            Einstellungen.format(config);
                            settings.configFile =
                            new String(config);
                            settings.frameName =
                            settings.fileName+ " "
                            +settings.appName + " "
                            +settings.copyright;
                            //wir Starten den
                            Editor neu
                                editor.start();
                                edi-
                                tor.getDateischnittstelle().load(
                                pfad,datei,editor.getGraph());
                            }
                        } else (
                            Sy-
                            stem.err.println("File not found
                            : " + settings.lgcPath + config);
                            }
                        } else {
                            System.err.println("File
                            not found : " + pfad + datei);
                        }
                    }
                }
            }
        }
    }
}

```

```

        }
        //start();
    } else if
    (datei.endsWith(".lgt")) {
        //System.out.println("eine
lgt Datei");
        File f = new File(pfad +
datei);
        if (f.exists()) {
            settings.fileName = da-
tei;
            settings.frameName = set-
tings.fileName + " "
+settings.appName + " "
+settings.copyright;
            // wir holen uns noch den
namen des .lgc Files:
            //String config = edi-
tor.getBarcodeStelle().getConfig(pfad + datei);
            //System.out.println("Der
neue Name der Lgc datei " + con-
fig);
            // f = new
File(settings.lgcPath + config);
            //if (f.exists()) {
                // ist diese lgc Datei
schon geladen?
                //if
(settings.configFile.equals(config)) {
                    //wir muessen nur die
lgt Datei laden und interprete-
ren
                    LgtInterpreter interpreter-
prete=editor.getInterpreter();
//System.out.println("Der Inter-
preter : " + interpreter);
                    if (interpreter ==
null) {
                        interpreter = new
LgtInterpreter(editor, pfad + da-
tei);
                        edi-
tor.setInterpreter(interpreter);
                        interpre-
ter.start();
                    } else {

```

### 3. "toolbar" file

```
package mmui;  
  
import java.awt.*;  
import java.awt.event.*;  
  
import etc.*;  
import tools.*;
```

```

interpre-
ter.setFile(pfad + datei);
}

//Dateischnittstelle().load(pfad,
datei,editor.getGraph());
//settings.fileName
= settings.appName + " " + settings.
fileName; //((Frame)editor).
setTitle(settings.frameName);
// } else {
// wie mussten auch
die Konfigurationsdatei laden
// settings.appName =
Einstellungen.format(config);
//settings.configFile
= new String(config);
//settings.frameName
= settings.appName + " " + settings.
fileName;
//wir Starten den
Editor neu
//editor.start();
// LgtInterpreter in-
terpreter = new LgtInterpreter(
editor, pfad + datei);
// edi-
tor.setInterpreter(interpreter);
// interpre-
ter.start();
// }
// } else {
// Sy-
stem.err.println("File not found
: " + settings.lgcPath + config);
// }
// else {
System.err.println("File
not found : " + pfad + datei);
// }
// else {
System.err.println("usage:
java LoGraph2 <path to config-
files> AND <file.lgc> OR
<file.lgf> OR <file.lgt>");
// }
}
}

```

```
/**  
 * Über das aktuelle Tool der  
 Toolbar werden die  
 * Maus Aktionen des Benutzers an  
 den Graphen weitergegeben.
```

```

* Die Toolbar ermöglicht das
hinzufügen und entfernen
* von ToolButtons, und deren zu-
gehörigen ActionListener.
*/
public class Toolbar extends Pa-
nel {
    GraphEditor editor;
    Tool currentTool;
    ToolButton currentButton;
    int borderSize = 4;
    /**
     * Der Konstruktor erzeugt das
AuswahlTool,
     * da dieses immer vorhanden
sein sollte.
    */
    public Toolbar(GraphEditor edi-
tor) {
        this.editor = editor;
        setLayout(new BarLayout-
out(BarLayout.VERTICAL, 2));
        setBackgrou-
nd(editor.getEinstellungen().too-
lbarBgCo);
        // eine kleine Lucke
        add(new Space(5, 24));
        ToolButton b = new ToolBut-
ton(editor.getEinstellungen().lgc
Path +
        "images/auswahl.gif",
        "Select",
        new AuswahlTool(editor), this);
        setCurrentTool(b.getTool());
        setCurrentButton(b);
        add(b);
        add(new Space(5, 24));
    }

    public Insets getInsets() {
        Insets insets =
        (Insets)(super.getInsets()).clone
();
        insets.top += borderSize;
        insets.left +=
        (borderSize+2);
        insets.bottom += borderSize;
        insets.right +=
        (borderSize+2);
        return insets;
    }

    public void paint(Graphics g) {
        super.paint(g);
        Insets insets = su-
per.getInsets();
        int w = getSize().width-
insets.left-insets.right;
        int h = getSize().height-
insets.top-insets.bottom;
        g.setColor(editor.getEinstellungen
().toolbarBgCo);
        for (int i=0; i<borderSize;
i++) {
            g.draw3DRect(i+insets.left, i+inse-
ts.top,
                w-2*i-1, h-
2*i-1, i<borderSize/2);
        }
        /**
         * Fügt einen ToolButton hinzu.
        */
        public void addToolBut-
ton(ToolButton button) {
            add(button);
        }
        /**
         * Entfernt einen ToolButton.
        */
        public void deleteToolBut-
ton(ToolButton button) {
        }
        /**
         * Setzt das aktuelle Tool;
         * wird normalerweise von den
ToolButtons aufgerufen.
        */
        public void setCurrentTool(Tool
currentTool) {
            this.currentTool = current-
Tool;
            this.currentTool.reset();
        }
        /**
         * Setzt den aktuellen Button,
damit der nächste
* aktuelle Button ihn zurück-
setzen kann.
        */
        public void setCurrentBut-
ton(ToolButton currentButton) {
            if (this.currentButton !=
null)
                this.currentButton.setUp();
            this.currentButton = current-
Button;
            this.currentButton.setDown();
        }
    }
}

```

```
    * Liefert das aktuelle Tool
zurück.
    * wird normalerweise von den
Zeichenfläche aufgerufen.
    */
public Tool getCurrentTool() {
    return currentTool;
}

/**
    * Liefert den aktuellen But-
ton, damit der nächste
    * aktuelle Button ihn zurück-
setzen kann.
    */

```

```
    public ToolButton getCurrent-
Button() {
    return currentButton;
}

    /**
    * Liefert den Editor an die
Buttons weiter.
    */
public GraphEditor getEditor()
{
    return editor;
}

}//Toolbar
```

**Patent claims**

1. A method for determining a graphic structure of a technical system,
  - 5 a) in which a graph structure file is selected from a set of a plurality of different graph structure files, a graph structure file containing in each case indications of which elements can be selected to represent it in order to describe the structure of the technical system graphically,
  - 10 b) in which elements are selected in such a way that the technical system is described using the selected elements, and
  - 15 c) in which the elements are represented by an editor program into which the selected graph structure file has been integrated, by which means the graphic structure of the technical system is determined.
2. The method as claimed in claim 1, in which the technical system is an electronic circuit.
- 20 3. The method as claimed in claim 2, in which the technical system is a piece of technical equipment.
4. The method as claimed in one of claims 1 to 3, in which the elements are graph elements of a graph which describe the technical system.
- 25 5. The method as claimed in one of claims 1 to 4, in which the graphic structure of the technical system which is determined is checked for predefined structure rules.
6. An arrangement for determining a graph structure of a technical system,
  - 30 a) having a memory in which a set of a plurality of different graph structure files are stored,

a graph structure file containing in each case indications of which elements can be selected to represent it in order to form a graph,

5 b) having a selector unit with which a graph structure file can be selected from the set of graph structure files,

c) having a processor which is configured in such a way that an editor program can be executed, with which editor program a graph structure file selected from the 10 set of graph structure files can be used to determine a graph with elements of the selected graph structure file, by which means the graph structure is determined,

d) having a representation component which is coupled to the editor program and with which the specific graph 15 structure can be represented.

7. The arrangement as claimed in claim 6, in which a structure of a technical system is described using the graph.

8. The arrangement as claimed in claim 7, in which 20 the technical system is an electronic circuit.

9. The arrangement as claimed in claim 7, in which the technical system is a piece of technical equipment.

10. The arrangement as claimed in claim 6,

a) having a first subarrangement which has the 25 memory,

b) having a second subarrangement which is coupled to the first subarrangement and has the following components:

- the selector unit,

30 - the editor program,

- the representation component.

11. The arrangement as claimed in claim 10, in which the first subarrangement and the second subarrangement are coupled to one another by means of a communications network.

5 12. The set of arrangements as claimed in claim 10 or 11, in which a structure of a technical system is described using the graph.

13. The arrangement as claimed in claim 12, in which the technical system is an electronic circuit.

10 14. The arrangement as claimed in claim 12, in which the technical system is a piece of technical equipment.

**Abstract**

**Method for determining a graphic structure of a technical system and arrangement and set of arrangements for determining a graph structure**

A graph structure file is selected from a set of a plurality of different graph structure files. A graph structure file contains in each case indications of which elements can be selected to represent it in order to describe the structure of the technical system graphically. Elements are selected in such a way that the selected elements describe the technical system, and the elements are represented by an editor program into which the selected graph structure file has been integrated.

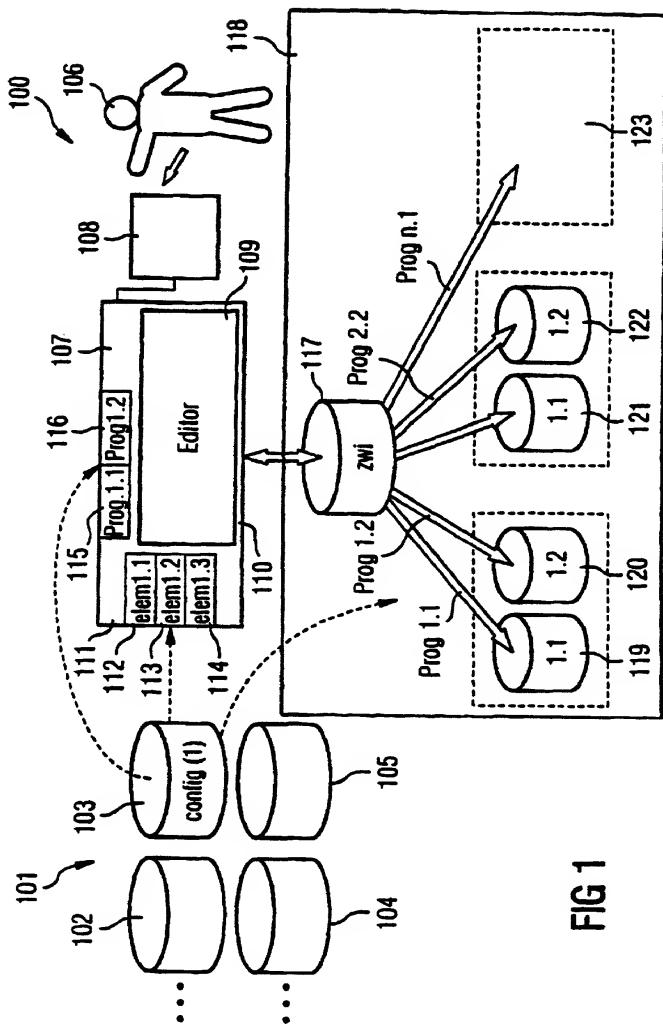
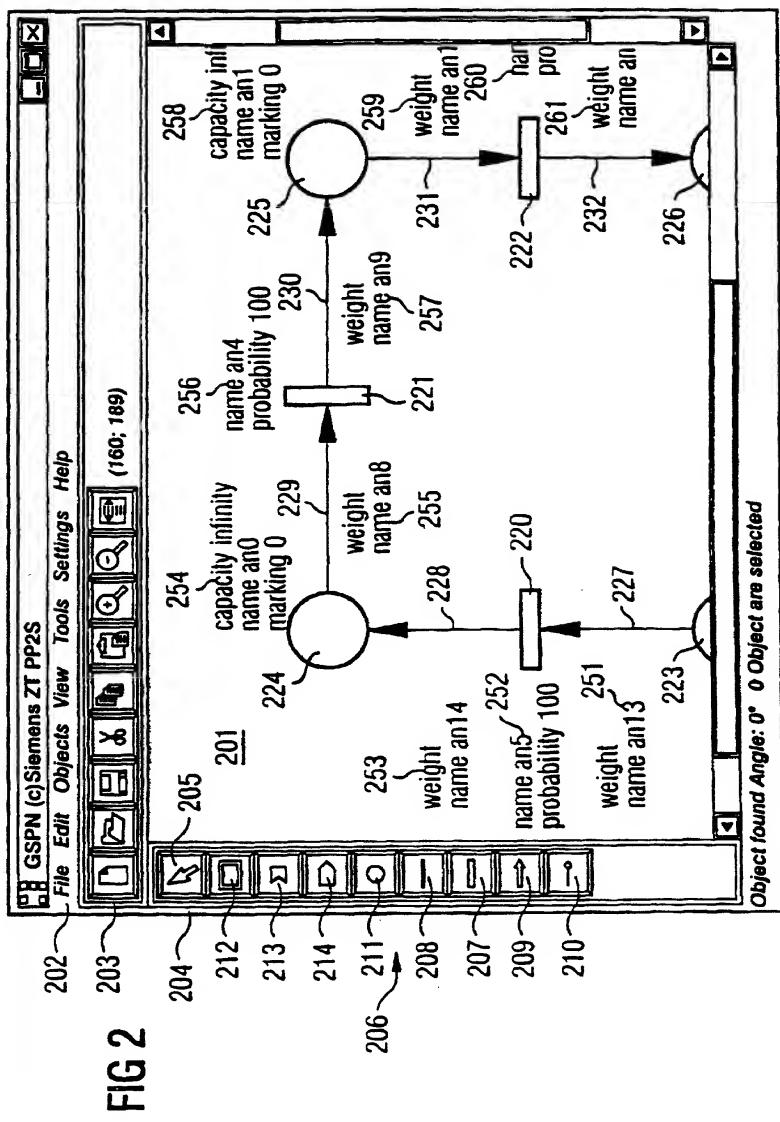
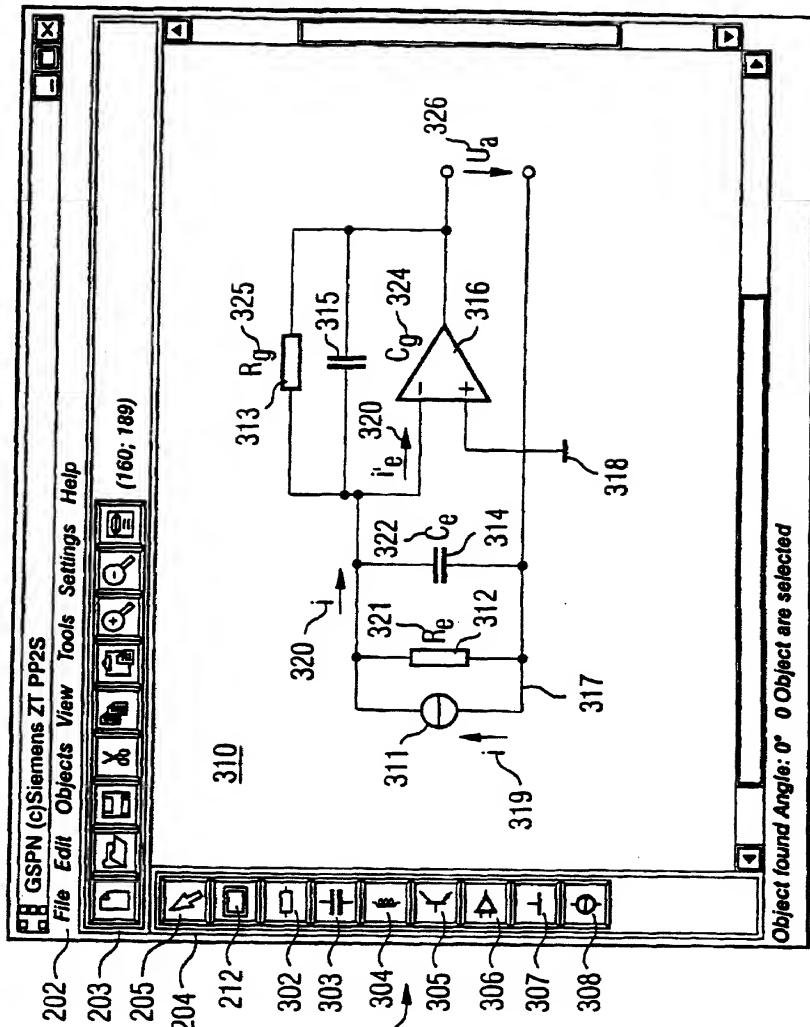


FIG 1





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## FIG 4

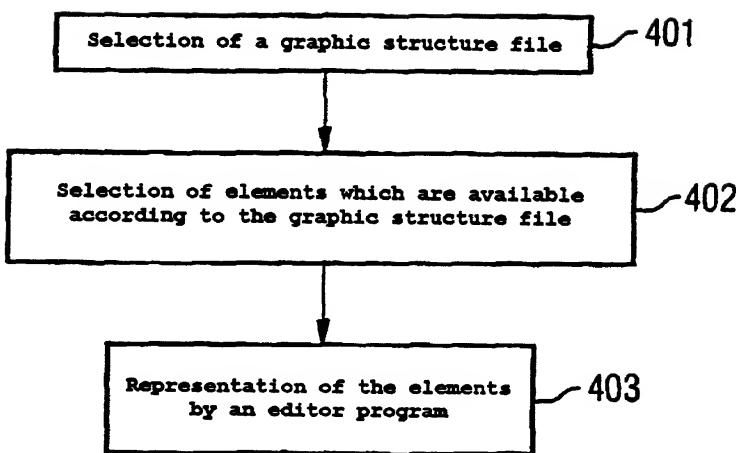
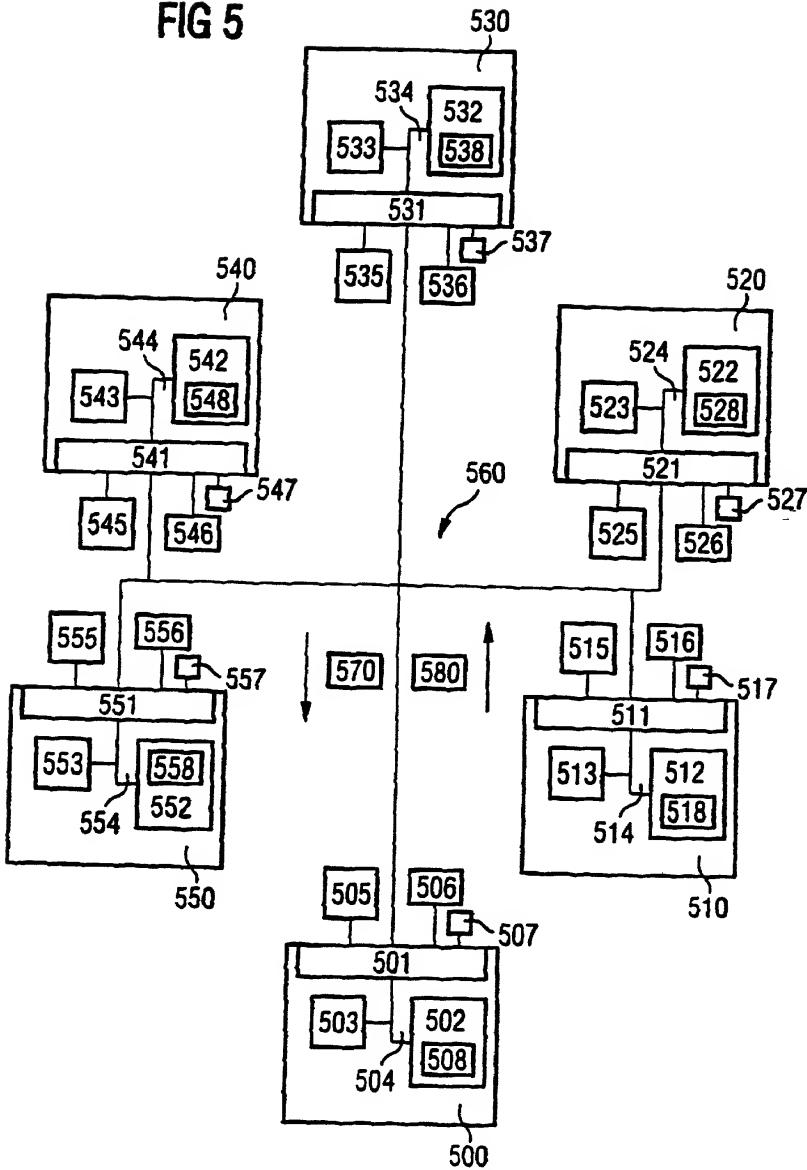


FIG 5



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Anordnung Sowie Satz Von Anordnungen zur  
Bestimmung Einer Graphen-Struktur**

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